

Church Records
commencing
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Our System in Practice.

1. What is the custom of Congregational churches in choosing a clerk—is he chosen annually, or does he hold his office from year to year?

2. Is it good order for a church to choose its acting pastor for clerk, though he is not a member of the church over which he acts as pastor, but of some other church?

1. A clerk is an annual officer, and should be chosen at each annual meeting of the church, to serve for the year next ensuing.

2. No person is eligible for choice as clerk, who is not a member of the body; and experience has proved that it is wiser that somebody besides a pastor—not to say an acting pastor—should be clerk. If difficulty arise in the church, there is very apt to be some charge of falsification of the record, or negligence in regard to it; so that it is much better for it to have been in the hands of some lay member, who may be presumed to be out of the reach of temptation, and who, at least, is able to bear his own responsibility, without complication with the occupant of the pulpit.

1. Is it proper to practice "withdrawal of fellowship" as a part of church discipline?

2. Is it the duty of a church to restore an excommunicated person to fellowship, upon evidence of repentance and a public confession and satisfactory evidence given to the church, of thorough reformation?

1. Some churches have preferred to phrase what is really excommunication, but which takes place for some cause (like a change of faith from orthodoxy to heterodoxy) leaving the moral character untainted, by the milder term of the withdrawal of fellowship; and, understood as being really excommunication, less harshly named, there is perhaps no objection to it. In any other sense, there is no place for it in our system.

2. There can be no question that the spirit of the Gospel answers this question in the affirmative.

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Records of the Church in the
1st Parish of Boyford
commencing with the
Ordination & Ministry of
Rev. William S. Cogger
May 9th
1838.

Continued through
the Ministry of
Rev. Sereno D. Gammell,
till
Sept. 1st 1880

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Invitation of the Church & Society.

At a meeting of the first Church in Boxford held the
7th day of Decem 1837-

Chose Dea. Oliver T. Peabody Moderator.

" Josiah Kimball Scribe.

Voted unanimously to invite Mr William S. Coggin to take
the charge of this Church & people as their Pastor
& religious Teacher.

Chose Josiah Kimball & Dea O. T. Peabody as a Committee
to present Mr Coggin with a copy of the above vote

A true copy of record

Attest J. Kimball Scribe

At a legal Parish Meeting held in the Meetinghouse of
the first Parish in Boxford Decem 18th 1837-

Voted to concur with the Church in inviting Mr William S.
Coggin to take the charge of this Church & people as
their Pastor & religious Teacher.

Voted to give Mr William S. Coggin five hundred and fifty
dollars including the income of the Ministerial Land
as his annual salary, so long as he shall carry on the
work of the ministry in this Parish.

Voted that provided Mr Coggin shall become our Minister,
he shall have the liberty of dissolving the contract
at any time by giving the Parish six months notice
& the Parish reserve to themselves the same right.

At a legal Parish Meeting held in the Meetinghouse
of the first Parish in Boxford March 5th 1838-

Voted to give Mr Wm S. Coggin fifty dollars in addition to

the sum voted him by the Parish on the 18th of Decem-
ber last; so that he shall be paid annually a salary of
six hundred dollars so long as he shall carry on the
work of the ministry in the Parish.

voted that provided Mr Coggin shall become our Minister,
he shall be excused from supplying the Desk three
Sabbaths in each year while he continues our Minister.

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Attest Samuel Kimball - Parish Clerk.

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Mr Coggins' answer to the invitation.

To Messrs Kimball, Lowe & Peabody - Committee of the Religious
Society in the First Parish of Bergham,

Gentlemen,

The renewal of
your invitation, addressed to me, & ~~to take~~ settle with you in the
Gospel Ministry, has caused me again & ~~to take~~ the subject under
deep & prayerful consideration.

You have now removed the difficulties I before specified in the
way of my acceptance; yet still, when I think of my ~~incapacity~~
~~incapacity~~ & imperfections, when I consider that many of
those, I shall be called to teach, are my superiors in age reli-
gious knowledge & experience, & at whose feet I ought rather
to sit & learn - I am ready to decline, lest I should not be
found faithful. But when on the other hand I call to
mind the cheering promises of God, when I feel that "through
Christ who strengtheneth me, I can do all things," & hear him
saying, "Lo, I am with you always," I hesitate not to declare
my acceptance of the invitation, & take the charge of the Church
& people, you have the honour to represent, as their "Pastor &
religious Teacher". When I contemplate your unanimity, & that
possibly you may never be so well united again, when I
consider that you have been sometime without a Pastor
& that there is great danger of your being scattered as sheep
without a shepherd, & when at the same time I hear the
voice of the Lord saying, "whom shall I send? - I can-
not but answer, here am I, send me."

I have penned my acceptance with a trembling hand, I trust
I feel the great, the solemn responsibility I am about to

assume. This is a period interesting & solemn beyond description
 both to me, & to you as a church & people. Allow me to ask the
 individual & the united prayers of the Church in my be-
 half - that I may be well prepared to enter upon my respon-
 sible yet interesting duties - that I may seek only your good
 & the welfare of Zion; & above all - that I may study to
 show myself approved unto God, a workman that needeth
 not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Be assured that my ^{people's} prayers will ascend in your behalf.

With feelings of undigned regard
 I subscribe myself your obedient servant,
 William L. Coggin.

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Meeting of the Council & Ordination Exercises.

In accordance with letters missive from the First Church in Bradford an Ecclesiastical Council was convened at the house of Capt. Cassiah Kimball on the 9th of May. 838 at 9 o'clock A. M. for the purpose of considering the expediency of ordaining Mr William L. Coggin as Pastor of said church.

Members of the Council present were —

Rev. Mr Braman, Pastor of the Church in Georgetown.
Bro. A. C. Tunney, Delegate.
Rev. Mr Coggin, Pastor of the Church in Lewkshury.
Dea. John Laque, Delegate.
Rev. Mr Kimball, Pastor of the First Church in Ipswich.
Rev. Dr Edwards, Pastor of the Church Theol. Sem. Andover.
Bro. William A. Peabody, Delegate.
Rev. Mr Fitz, Pastor of the South Church in Ipswich.
Bro. Cassiah Kimball, Delegate.
Rev. Mr Lefferts, Pastor of the Church in Middleton.
Bro. Joseph P. Gould, Delegate.
Rev. Mr Mc. Ewen, Pastor of the Church in Topsfield.
Bro. Frederic Puley, Delegate.
Rev. Mr Lamson, Pastor of the Church in Brighton.
Rev. Mr Page, Pastor of the Church in North Andover.
Bro. Seth Burnham, Delegate.
Dea. Charles Foster, Delegate from the Second Ch. in Bradford.
Dea. William Day, Delegate from the First Ch. in Bradford.
Dea. Moses Morse, Delegate from the Second Ch. in Bradford.

The Council was organized by choosing
Rev. Mr Braman, Moderator.

Rev. Mr. Litz, scribe.

Rev. Mr. Lamson, assistant scribe.

After prayer by the Moderator, the Council proceeded to hear the call of the First Church in Boyford to Mr. Wm. S. Coggin to become their Pastor, the concurrence of the First Parish in said call, his answer to the same, & examine his credentials of church-membership, & license to preach the gospel, his theological sentiments, & his motives in entering the work of the ministry.

voted - that the Council are satisfied with the proceedings of the Church & Parish, with the theological opinions & attainments of the Candidate, with his evidences of christian character, & with his motives in undertaking the work of the sacred ministry, & that they proceed to assign the parts for ordination.

The parts were assigned as follows -

Introductory prayer, Rev. Mr. Lamson.

Reading scriptures, Rev. Mr. Lefferts.

Prayer of dedication, Rev. Mr. Braman.

Sermon, Rev. Mr. Coggin.

Ordaining prayer, Rev. Mr. Litz.

Charge to the Pastor, ^{Rev. Dr. Edwards} Rev. Mr. Page.

Right hand of Fellowship, Rev. Mr. Page.

Address to the people, Rev. Mr. Kimball.

Concluding Prayer, Rev. Mr. McEwen.

voted, & adjourn to the Meeting house at one o'clock to attend the public exercises.

According to adjournment, the Council met at the ~~the~~
meeting house, & attended to the public exercises as as-
signed. At the close of the exercises, the audience were
dismissed with the Benediction by the Pastor elect.

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Attest, Daniel Fitz-Simon.

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Church Transactions.

At a meeting of the Church June 8th 1838. Brother Josiah Kimball was unanimously chosen Deacon.

Jan 20th 1839. Church made choice of Deacons Peabody & Kimball to act, together with the Pastor, as a standing Committee for the examination of Church Candidates.

Jan 25th 1839. Church voted ~~to~~ unanimously to adopt the following Confession of Faith & Covenant.

Confession - Faith.

Art. 1st. You believe in the being of one God, the Father, Son & Holy Ghost; that God is a Spirit infinite, eternal, & unchangeable in his being, power, knowledge, justice, goodness, & truth; that he created all things, that he preserves & governs all his creatures; & overrules their actions according to the wise & benevolent counsel of his own will; yet in such a manner as that man is a free agent, & accountable for all his actions; & that it is the duty of all intelligent creatures to love God with all the heart, & to worship him in spirit & in truth.

Art. 2nd. You believe that the Scriptures of the Old & ~~Testament~~ New Testament are given by the inspiration of God, & are a perfect rule of faith & practice.

Art. 3rd. You believe that God created man holy, & that he fell from this happy state by sinning against God; that in consequence of the fall, mankind are born without holiness, & continue alienated from God, until renewed & reconciled by the special influence of the Holy Spirit.

Art. 4th. You believe that God, as an act of mere mercy, gave his Son to die for the sins of the world, & that Jesus Christ by his sufferings & death, has made an atonement

ufficient for the redemption of mankind; so that now, God can be just & the justifier of him that believeth, & that, upon condition of repentance & ~~perfect~~ faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, pardon & eternal life are sincerely offered to all.

You believe that mankind do of their own accord, most freely & most wickedly, refuse to comply with these conditions, to the aggravation of their guilt & condemnation; but that God notwithstanding he perceived how mankind would treat the Gospel of his Son, did always purpose to save from deserved ruin, innumerable multitudes of the human race, through sanctification of the Spirit & belief of the truth.

Art. 5th. You believe that without a change of heart wrought in the unregenerate by the special agency of the Holy Spirit, no one can be an heir of eternal life, & that the person who is once made a partaker of renewing grace, will never be permitted so to fall away as finally to perish; but will be inclined & enabled to persevere in faith & a holy life to the end.

Art. 6th. You believe in the necessity of such repentance for sin, as arises from supreme love to God; & of such faith in Jesus Christ, as includes an affectionate submission to him, & reliance upon him for pardon & eternal life.

Art. 7th. You believe that men are dependent upon God to give repentance & faith, because they are voluntarily & obstinately opposed to their duty, & that the influence of the Holy Spirit is bestowed not as the reward of antecedent merit, or well doing on the part of him who receives it, but as the free gift of God. And that this influence of the Spirit is ordinarily so inseparably connected with the careful use of means on the part of the sinner, as creates entire obligation & also ample encouragement to attend upon them, & renders all hope of

conversion in the neglect of means or while living in sin, eminently insinuating.

Art. 8th. Moreover, you believe that in this world, the Lord Jesus Christ, has a visible church; that the terms of membership are a credible profession of faith in Christ, & of that holiness which is wrought by the renewing grace of God; you also ~~bel~~ believe that God has instituted Baptism & the Lord's Supper as ordinances to be observed in the Church to the end of the world; & that none but members of the Church in regular standing, have a right to partake of the Lord's Supper; & that believers only, & their households, can be admitted to the ordinance of Baptism.

Art. 9th. You believe that at death, & not before, the souls of believers are made perfectly holy, & do immediately pass into glory; & that the souls of the wicked do at death pass immediately to a state of punishment.

Art. 10th. You believe that at the end of the world, there will be a resurrection of the dead, when all mankind will give to God an account of their conduct, & be judged according to what they have done; that the righteous, publicly acquitted, will enter into life eternal; & that the wicked, publically condemned, will go away into punishment that will never end.

All these things you truly profess & heartily believe. You will now enter into solemn covenant with God & with this church.

The Covenant.

In the presence of God, his holy angels, & this assembly, you now solemnly avouch the Lord Jehovah, Father, Son, & Holy Ghost, to be your God, the supreme object of your affection, & your portion

forever. You cordially acknowledge the Lord Jesus Christ & be your Redeemer, & the Holy Spirit & be your Sanctifier, Comforter, & Guide. You humbly & cheerfully devote yourselves to God in the everlasting covenant of his grace, consecrating all your powers & faculties to his service & glory; & you promise, through the assistance of his Spirit, you will cleave to him as your chief good; that you will give diligent attendance to his word & ordinances, that you will seek the honor & interest of his Kingdom; & that henceforth, denying all ungodliness, & every worldly lust, you will live soberly, righteously, & godly in the world. You also covenant with this church, to walk in love & Christian fellowship; & submit to its discipline; & to aid, as you shall have influence, in its administrations; & in all things, to seek its peace & welfare, so long as in the Providence of God, you shall continue a member of the same.

Covenant on the part of the Church.

And now, do we, the members of this church, receive you cheerfully to our communion, engaging on our part, to love you as Christians, to watch over you for your spiritual good, to admonish you, & pray for you, & use all appointed means for your restoration, should you fall into sin. Should you have occasion to remove, it will be your duty to seek, & ours to grant a recommendation to another church; for hereafter you can never withdraw from the watch & communion of the saints without a breach of covenant.

. And now beloved in the Lord, let it be impressed on your minds, that you have come under solemn obligations from which you can never escape. Whenever you go, these vows will be

upon you. They will follow you to the bar of God; & in whatever world you may be fixed, will abide upon you to eternity. You can never again be as you have been. You have unalterably committed yourselves & henceforth you must be the servants of God. Hereafter the eyes of the world will be upon you; & as you demean yourself, so religion will be honored or disgraced. If you walk worthy of your profession, you will be a credit & comfort to us; but if it be otherwise, it will be an occasion of grief & reproach.

But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, & things which accompany salvation, though we thus speak. May the Lord guide & preserve you till death, & at last, receive you & us to that blessed world, where our love & joy shall be forever perfect. Amen.

June 5th 1840. At the request of Bro. Rufus Greasy, the Church voted to dismiss him, & to recommend him to the watch & fellowship of the Evangelical Church in Newburyport, under the pastoral care of the Rev. Mr. Dimmock.

July 5th 1840. The Church made choice of Deas. Kimball & Peabody as delegates to attend the Pastor & the "conference of Churches" at North Danvers.

Oct. 4th 1840. The Church made choice of Bro. Joseph E. Kileam as delegate to attend the Pastor & the Conference of Churches at Manchester.

July 11th. 1841. The Church made choice of Deas. Kabady & Kimball as delegates to attend the Pastor to the "Conference of Churches" at the Dane Street Meetinghouse in Beverly.

Dec. 5th. 1841. A letter was read before the Church requesting them to attend by Pastor & Delegates, & to assist in the ordination of Mr. Anson McLeod over the Church & Society in Topsfield. voted to comply with the request, & chose Dea. Josiah Kimball as Delegate.

May 1st. 1842. A letter was read before the Church requesting them to attend by Pastor & Delegate, & to assist in the ordination of Mr. David Cogger over the Church & Society in Westhampton. voted to comply with the request, & chose Dea. Oliver Kabady as Delegate.

At the request of Bro. ~~Thos~~ Atherton voted to dismiss him from this Church, & to recommend him to the ^{evangelical} Church in Fitchburg under the pastoral care of Rev. Mr. Bullard.

Also at the request of Miss Betty Atherton, voted to dismiss her from this Church & to recommend her to an evangelical Church in Providence. R. I.

Novem. 26th. 1842. A letter was read before the Church requesting them to attend by Pastor & Delegate, & to assist in the ordination of Mr. Enock Pond, Jr. over the Church & Society in Georgetown, as Colleague with the Rev. Mr. Braman. voted to comply with the request, & chose Dea. Josiah Kimball as Delegate.

Oct. 8th. 1843. Church chose Bro. John Sawyer & Samuel Bixby as delegates to attend the Pastor to the "Conference of Churches" at Middletown.

April 28th. 1844. A letter was read before the Church from the Church in Middletown, requesting as by

Pastor & Delegate to sit in Council with other churches for the purpose of deliberating upon, & if deemed expedient, of dissolving the pastoral relation between the Rev. Forest Jeffords & this Church & Society. voted to comply with the request, & chose Bro. John Gould as delegate.

Owing to some informality in the calling of the Council above referred to, the business, which came before them, could not be attended to, & it became necessary to call another Council. Another letter was therefore received & read before the Church of the same character as the one above alluded to. voted to comply with request, & chose Bro. John Sawyer as delegate.

March 16th. 1845. A letter was read before the Church requesting them to attend by Pastor & Delegate, & to assist in the ordination of Mr Leonard Tenney over the Church & Society in Foster. N. H. as colleague with the Rev. Mr. Sinsworth. voted to comply with the request, & made choice of Dea. Josiah Kimball as Delegate.

May 4th. 1845. A letter was read before the Church ~~from the~~ Church in Middleton requesting them to attend, by Pastor & Delegate, & assist in the ordination of Mr R. T. Leake over the Church & Society in Middleton. voted to comply with the request, & chose Bro. Jacob Peabody as Delegate.

Sept. 14th 1845. A letter was read before the Church requesting them, by Pastor & Delegate, to assist in the ordination of Mr Richard Freeman over the 3^d Congregational Church & Society in Danvers. voted to comply with the request, & chose Dea. Oliver T. Peabody as Delegate.

March 2nd 1845. A letter was read before the Church requesting them, by Pastor & Delegate to assist in the Installation of the Rev. Samuel Lanson over the 1st Congregational Church & Society in Ashua. Vt. voted to comply with the request & chose Bro. John Sawyer as Delegate.

Oct. 4th 1845. A letter was read before the Church requesting them, by Pastor & Delegate to assist in the Installation of Rev. Calvin E. Park over the Congregational Church & Society in West Bedford. voted to comply with the request, & chose Bro. Samuel Dixey as Delegate.

Novem. 1st 1845. A letter was read before the Church requesting them, by Pastor & Delegate, to assist in the Ordination of Mr. William F. Briggs over the Unitarian Congregational Church & Society in North Andover. voted to comply with the request, & chose Dea. Josiah Kimball as Delegate.

Dec. 20th 1845. A letter was received from the Church in Middleton requesting us by Pastor & Delegate to meet in Council for the purpose of considering the expediency of dissolving the pastoral relation of Rev. Richard T. Searle to said Church. voted to comply with the request & made choice of Dea. Josiah Kimball as Delegate.

Jan. 3rd 1847. A letter was read before the Church requesting them by Pastor & Delegate to assist in the ordination of Mr. John M. Price over the Church & Society in Georgetown as Colleague with the Rev. Mr. Brumack. voted to comply with the request & made choice of the Brother John Sawyer as Delegate.

Feb. 21st 1847. A letter was read before the Church requesting them by Pastor & Delegate to assist in the installation. The Rev. Dea. Kimball is over the Church & Society in Southbury as Colleague with the Rev. Jacob Coggin. Voted to comply with the request & made choice of Brother John Sawyer as Delegate.

Feb. 28th 1847. By vote of the Church Dr. J. E. Bartlett, formerly Joseph C. Kellam, of this place, was by his own request, dismissed from this Church & recommended to the Withrop Church in Charlestown under the pastoral care of the Rev. John Humphrey.

Oct. 8th 1848. Church made choice of Dea. Josiah Kimball as a delegate to attend the Pastor to the "Conference of Churches" at the 3rd Congregational Church in Danvers.

Oct. 20th 1848. Church appointed the Pastor & the Senior Deacon as a Committee to call upon all the members of the Church, for the purpose of conversing with them respecting their religious state.

Novem. 10th 1848. The Pastor was appointed as a Committee to remind (by letter or otherwise) the non-resident members of the Church, of the duty of transferring their relation from this to those Churches where in the providence of God, they are called to reside.

Novem. 5th 1848. A letter was read before the Church from the 3rd Congregational Church in Danvers requesting us by Pastor & Delegate to meet in Council, for the purpose of considering the expediency of dissolving the pastoral relation of the Rev. Richard Salaman to said Church. Voted to comply with the request, & made choice of Bro. John Gould as Delegate.

June 22nd 1849. At a meeting, held ^{in the meetinghouse} this day, the case of Dr. Joseph Batchelder a member of the Church, was considered; who was known, for some time past, to have neglected the Communion table, public worship, & other duties essential to the Christian character, & enjoined in the "Covenant" of this Church; & who also was reported as having imbibed & expressed sentiments directly at variance with the doctrines of Christianity, & the cardinal articles included in the "Confession of Faith" of this Church.

After listening to a report from the Pastor respecting the conversations he had had with Dr. Batchelder from which his views might be gathered, the Church voted that a Committee be chosen to request Dr. Batchelder to be present in person at the time & place to which this meeting may adjourn. Bro. John Sawyer & Dea. Josiah Kimball were chosen as this Committee.

Voted to adjourn the meeting to next Monday evening at this house at 6 o'clock P. M.

June 25th 1849. The Church met this day according to adjournment, at which time Dr. Batchelder appeared before them, answering such questions as were put to him, & giving an account of the cause of the change in his feelings & conduct, & stating what were his present religious sentiments. After Dr. Batchelder had withdrawn, & the Church had freely & fully discussed his case, it was voted, that the Pastor be requested to address him in a written communication, expostulating with him respecting the course he had pursued,

& in the spirit of love, admonishing & advising him. It was also voted, that the members of the Church individually seek an opportunity of seeing Dr. Batchelder in private, using all proper means within their power of reclaiming him from his departure from duty, & from the faith & order of the Gospel; & that they make a report of their success at the time to which this meeting may adjourn.

Voted to adjourn to the first Monday in Sept. next at this house at 5 o'clock P. M.

Sept. 3^d. 1849. The Church met this day according to adjournment. After hearing the reports of the brethren, who had taken an opportunity of seeing Dr. Batchelder since the last meeting; & learning from them, that he still persisted in the views he expressed, when he appeared before the Church, - the following resolutions were passed unanimously by the Church.

Resolved, that the connexion of Dr. Joseph Batchelder with this Church be, & hereby is dissolved, in consequence of his errors, both in doctrine & in practice, as appears from his having imbibed & expressed, before the Church, sentiments directly at variance with the doctrines of Christianity, & the cardinal articles included in the "Confession of Faith" of this Church, as well as from his having deserted the communion table, neglected public worship, & other duties essential to Christian character, & enjoined in the "Covenant" of this Church.

Resolved, that should Dr. Batchelder recant the

the views he now entertains, & manifest signs of sincere repentance, ~~repentance~~ this Church will be ready to receive him again to their fellowship & communion. That he may thus reform, is the sincere prayer of those, who have mourned over his departure from the faith & order of the Gospel, who now feel deeply interested in his spiritual welfare, & from a sense of duty, are compelled to act in his case.

Adjourned sine die.

Oct. 7th 1849. Church made choice of Bro. Jacob Peabody, as a delegate to attend the Pastor to the "Conference of Churches" at the South Church in Ipswich.

Oct. 20th 1849. Church made choice of Dea. O. J. Peabody, & Bro. John Sawyer to attend the Pastor to a special meeting of the Conference & appointed Oct. 31st in the vestry of the South Church Salem.

Dec. 23rd 1849. A letter was read before the Church requesting them, by Pastor & Delegate, to assist in the ordination of Mr. Edward W. Clark over the Bethesda Church in Reading. Voted to comply with the request, & made choice of Dea. Josiah Kimball as Delegate.

A letter was also read at the same time before the Church requesting them, by Pastor & Delegate, to assist in the ordination of Mr. J. A. Hood over the Church in Middleton. Voted to comply with the request & made choice of Bro. Samuel Bixby as Delegate.

Mar. 17th 1850. Mr. Seth Butler & wife - Mrs. Mary Butler having requested a letter of dismission & recommendation to the 3rd Congregational Church in Danvers, the Church voted to grant their request.

Sept. 12th 1850. Voted to dismiss Bro. Putnam Perley from this Church, & to recommend him to the Church of Christ in Rydotez Illinois.

Oct. 5th 1850. Made choice of Dea. Josiah Kimball as Delegate to attend the Pastor to the Conference of Churches at North Danvers.

Novem. 22nd 1850. Voted to dismiss Bro. James de Peabody from this Church, & to recommend him to the Crombie Street Church in Salem under the pastoral care of the Rev. Mr. Hooper.

May 2nd 1851. Voted that the vote, with reference to the admission of church candidates, be taken on the day of their admission, & immediately before the reading of the "Confession of Faith" & "The Covenant".

June 20th 1851. Voted by a large majority to join the "Missionary Union of the Salem Association".

June 4th 1852. The following communication from Dea. Kimball was read before the Church -

To the First Church of Christ in Boxford
Brethren,

Having made arrangements for removing my residence from the town of Boxford, I have thought it my duty to vacate the office of Deacon which for several years past I have held in the Church of which I am a member. You will therefore consider this as my resignation of said office.

Your brother in the Gospel
Josiah Kimball

Boxford May 12th 1852.

Aug. 13th 1852. At a meeting of the Church appointed for the purpose of filling the office of deacon made vacant by the resignation of Dea. Kimball, brother Samuel Bixby was chosen to said office.

Aug. 8th 1852. A letter was read before the Church requesting them to by pastor & delegate, to assist in the installation of the Rev. Richard Talman over the Church & Society in Tenksbury, as colleague pastor with the Rev. Jacob Coggwin. Voted to comply with the request, & made choice of brother Jacob Peabody as delegate.

May 12th 1853. Deacon Oliver T. Peabody, having removed his residence to Topsfield, tendered, through the Pastor, his resignation of the office he had for many years held in the Church.

June 2nd 1853. At a business meeting of the Church brother John H. Gole was chosen to fill the office made vacant by the resignation of Dea. Peabody.

June 12th 1853. A letter was read before the Church from the Church in Middleton requesting us, by pastor & delegate, to meet, with other Churches, in an Ex parte Council at ~~see~~ in said town, on Wednesday June 15th, for the purpose of considering the difficulties existing between the Rev. Mr. Hood, & his Church & Society, & of taking such action as in the case as may be deemed proper. Voted to comply with the request, & made choice of Dea. Samuel Bixby as delegate.

Feb. 9th 1854. At the request of brother Josiah Kimball & his wife Mary S. Kimball, the Church voted to dismiss them from this body & give them letters of recommendation to the Church in Lawrence under the pastoral care of Rev. Mr. Storr.

May 14th. 1854. A letter was read before the Church requesting us, by pastor & delegate, to meet in Council at Middleton the 7th inst. for the purpose, if deemed expedient, of dissolving the pastoral relation between the Rev. Mr. Flood & his Church & Society. voted to comply with the request, & made choice of Dea. Samuel Bixby as delegate.

Jan. 25th. 1855. At the request of Dea. Oliver T. Peabody & wife, & their daughters Mrs Sarah A. Gould, & Mary S. French, - Church voted to dismiss them from this body & recommend them to the Presbyterian Church in Vinden Ill.

April 29th. 1855. A letter was read before the Church requesting us to by pastor & delegate, to meet in Council with other churches at Rockport on the 2nd day of May next for the purpose of ordaining, if deemed expedient, Mr David Bremner over the 2nd Congregational Church (Orthodox) in said town. voted to comply with the request, & made choice of brother John Sawyer as delegate.

At the same time, at the request of Mrs Sarah B. Bremner, she was dismissed from this Church & recommended to the 2nd Orthodox Congregational Church in Rockport.

Aug. 17. 1856. A letter was presented to the Church from the Church in Newham requesting us by pastor & delegate, to meet in said town in Council with other churches, & consider the question

of dissolving the relation between the Rev. Mr. Taylor & his church & society. Voted to comply with the request & made choice of brother Albert B. Peabody as delegate Sept. 4th 1856. At a meeting of the Church held this day, the case of Mr. John Preston of Georgetown, a member of this Church, was brought up, who was reported as having renounced the doctrines of Christianity, & as leading an inconsistent Christian life.

The pastor & brother A. B. Peabody, having had conversations with Mr. Preston, were compelled to bear testimony to the truthfulness of this report. But still ~~that~~ that there might be no doubt in the minds of any respecting the case, & that the Church might be prepared to act intelligently & properly, a committee was appointed consisting of Dea. J. K. Cole & brother A. B. Peabody, to wait on Mr. Preston in order to learn more definitely respecting his views.

Sept. 11th 1856. The committee, appointed at the previous meeting, reported that they had seen Mr. Preston & that the result of their conversation with him was only increased evidence that he had renounced the doctrines of Christianity. Whereupon the Church unanimously passed the following resolutions.

Resolved, that the connexion with this Church of Mr. John Preston of Georgetown, formerly John Spiller, & a resident of this place, be & hereby is dissolved, on account of his having rejected the Bible as a revelation from God & openly avowed infidel & deistical notions; besides having deserted the Communion table, neglected public worship, & other duties essential

Christian Character, & enjoined in the Covenant of this Church
Resolved, that should Mr. Preston, at some future
 time, recant the views he now entertains, & manifest
 signs of sincere repentance, this Church will be ready
 to receive him again to their fellowship & communion.
 That he may thus reform is the sincere prayer of those
 who have mourned over his departure from the
 faith & order of the Gospel, who now feel deeply
 interested in his spiritual welfare & from a
 sense of duty, are compelled to act in this case.

Nov. 15. 1856. A letter was read before the Church request-
 ing us by pastor & delegate to meet in council at
 Westhampton on Thursday the 20th inst. to assist, if
 deemed expedient, in installing the Rev. Roswell
 Foster as pastor over the Church & Society in said
 town. voted to comply with the request & made
 choice of brother John Sawyer as delegate.

Dec. 12th 1856. By vote of the Church Mrs. Hannah L. He Gregor
 was, at her own request, dismissed, & recommended to
 the Church of Christ in Northfield Vt.

Dec. 21st 1856. A letter was presented from Middleton request-
 ing this Church by pastor & delegate to attend a
 Council on Jan. 1st 1857. in that place, for the purpose,
 if deemed expedient, of ordaining Mr. Amos H.
 Johnson as pastor of the Church & Society in said town.
voted to comply with the request & made choice
 of dea. Samuel Bixby as delegate.

April 16th 1857. By vote of the Church Mrs. Sarah E. Foster, formerly Miss Sarah E. Bixby, was, at her own request, dismissed, & recommended to the Unitarian Congregational Church in North Andover.

June 28th 1857. In compliance with a letter missive, the Church voted to attend the installation of the Rev. E. M. Clark, on the first day of July, over the church & society in North Andover. Made choice of Bro. John Fanger as delegate to accompany the pastor.

Nov. 15th 1857. Church voted to comply with the request from the Church in Graytown to meet in Council ^{on the 17th inst.} with other churches for the purpose of considering the expediency of settling the Rev. Charles Beecher in the ministry as colleague with Rev. Isaac Beaman. Made choice of Bro. Wm. A. Howe as delegate to accompany the pastor.

Feb. 4th 1858. Voted, in accordance with the request of Bro. Jacob L. Peabody & wife, to dismiss them from this Church, & to recommend them to the Presbyterian Church in Vidler Illinois.

May 1st 1859. In compliance with a letter missive, from the Church in West Boyfield, the Church voted to meet in Council on the 4th inst, with other churches for the purpose of dissolving the pastoral relation between the Rev. Mr. Park & his Church & society. Made choice of brother Daniel Gould as delegate to accompany the pastor.

Sept. 18th 1859. Church voted to comply with a request from the Church in Newham to ~~sit~~ meet in Council at that place for the purpose with other churches on the 21st inst, for the purpose of ordaining Mr. John H. Dodge to the work of the

gospel ministry, as a missionary in western Africa.
 Made choice of Dea. John K. Cole as delegate to accompany the pastor.

Feb. 15th, 1860. Church voted to comply with a request from the Cong. Ch. in Litchbrook Parish Ipswich to meet there in Council with other churches for the purpose of installing Rev. Ezekiel Dow as pastor of said church. Made choice of Bro. Daniel Conant as delegate to accompany the pastor.

July 7th, 1861. A letter was read from the Chestnut Street Ch. in Lynn requesting us by Pastor & Delegate to meet in Council for the purpose of considering the expediency of dissolving the ~~pastoral~~ relation existing between said Ch. & the Rev. John Moore their ~~Pastor~~ Pastor. Voted to comply with the request, & made choice of Bro. William Sawyer as delegate.

Sept. 8th, 1861. Ch. voted to accede to a request from the Maple St. Ch. in Danvers to meet in Council at that place on the 11th inst. for the purpose of ordaining as an Evangelist Mr. Daniel T. Savage a member of that Ch. & a recent graduate of Andover Theol. Sem. Made choice of Dea. John K. Cole as delegate.

Oct. 3^d, 1861. Mrs. Louisa T. Moulton was, at her own request, dismissed from this church & recommended to the Evangelical Church in North Andover.

May 22^d, 1862. Mrs. Mary A. Palmer, formerly ~~in~~ Mary A. Kimball, was, at her own request, dismissed from this church & recommended to the Berkeley Street Congregational Ch. in Boston.

June 1st 1853. Brother Colyer, from 4th wife, Mrs. Hannah Colyer, writing at Haverhill, Mass., was, at their own request, dismissed from the Ch. & recommended to the Congregational Ch. in that place.

Aug. 23^d, 1853. A letter was read from the Congregational Ch. in Westford requesting our attendance at a conference at an Eccl. Soc. in ^{Sept 2^d} Westford for the purpose of ordaining the Ch. in that place as Pastors over the Ch. & Soc. in that place.

Voted to comply with the request & make choice of brother Amos Freeman as delegate, and the same time a letter was also recd from the Westford Ch. requesting our attendance at Pastors' & people at an Eccl. Soc. in Westford on the 2^d of Sept. for the purpose of calling the Rev. Charles B. Rice of Conway Mass. to the pastoral ministry in that place. Voted to comply with the request & make choice of brother Jefferson Kimball as delegate.

Sept. 2^d 1853. Brother Charles M. Rice was at his request dismissed from the Ch. & recommended to the Congregational Ch. in Haverhill.

Nov. 1st 1853. A letter was read from the Cong. Church in Haverhill requesting our attendance at a conference at an Eccl. Soc. in Haverhill for the purpose of ordaining the Ch. in that place as Pastors over the Ch. & Soc. in that place.

Voted to comply with the request & make choice of brother B. L. Barnes as delegate.

Jan. 24th 1857. A letter was read before the Church from a committee of sundry persons in Georgetown, inviting us to sit in Council with other Churches on the 29th inst, for the purpose, if deemed expedient, of organizing them into a new Church. In order to comply with the request, it was decided by the Congregation that as delegate.

Jan. 24th 1857. Brother John H. Thompson was dismissed from the Church at his own request, & recommended to the Congregation at O'Fallon, Mo. At the same time, Brother John H. Thompson (formerly - say, William A. (read) at his request was dismissed, & recommended to the Congregation at O'Fallon, Mo.

May 17th 1857. Brother John H. Thompson (formerly Eliza H. Gould) was, at his own request, dismissed, & recommended to the Congregation at O'Fallon, Mo.

June 5th 1857. Brother George H. Thompson, at his own request, was dismissed from the Church, & recommended to the Congregation at O'Fallon, Mo.

At the same time, a letter was read from the People's Church, requesting us by pastor & delegate to meet in Council with other Churches, in that place, for the purpose, if deemed expedient, of dissolving the relation between the Ch. & their pastor. The Congregation, with the request, & made choice of Brother John Sawyer as delegate.

April 2nd 1850. Private of the Ch. Mrs. Rebecca B. Smith
(formerly Mrs. Sarah H. Williams) was, at her own
request, dismissed, & recommended to the Bethel
Church in Keokuk.

April 2nd 1850. A letter was sent from the
Ch. in Middlebury requesting to assist in the in-
stallation of Rev. Mr. Hubbard over said Ch. in
Hudson, N. H. the 5th day of April. Voted to comply
with the request, & make a choice of Bro. John C.
Hale, to accompany the Past as his delegate.

April 2nd 1850. Private of the Ch. Mrs. Julia H. Smith
(formerly Mrs. John H. Smith) was, at her own request, dismissed,
& recommended to the First Union Ch. in New York
under the pastoral care of the Rev. Alexander
McGeachan.

April 12th 1850. A letter was sent from the People's Church
in Keokuk requesting us to assist in the in-
stallation of Rev. Mr. Hubbard over said Ch. in
Hudson, N. H. the 5th day of April. Voted to comply
with the request, & make a choice of Bro. John
Hale as delegate.

April 12th 1850. Private of the Ch. Mrs. Julia H. Smith
(formerly Mrs. John H. Smith) was, at her own request
dismissed, & recommended to the Unitarian Congrega-
tional Ch. in North Andover, under the pastoral care of
the Rev. Mr. Hamilton.

July 11th 1865. A letter was read from the Rev. John Taylor
his wife and children. The letter stated that the same
young man had been married to the daughter of
a family in the same place, and that the same
was the same.

Dec. 11th 1865. A letter was read from the Rev. John Taylor
his wife and children. The letter stated that the same
young man had been married to the daughter of
a family in the same place, and that the same
was the same.

July 11th 1867. A letter was read before the church
from the Congregational Ch. in West Boyford
requesting us to meet in council with other
churches for the purpose of considering the
request of the Rev. Charles W. House that
he be dismissed from his pastoral charge
of advising accordingly.

Resolved to comply with the request &
made choice of brother Joseph H. James
as delegate.

Nov. 3d 1867. The following communication was read
by the Pastor at the close of the Sabbath worship.
Brethren & Beloved,
The subject on which
I wish now to address you is indeed a very serious one, &
will probably be quite unexpected to you.
I have for some time past anxiously considered the

question whether it might not be best that the relation which has so long existed between ^{us} as pastor & people, should be dissolved. And that which has heretofore appeared somewhat doubtful, has now become quite plain on account of the impaired state of my health. I feel at times wholly unfit to do all that I desire, & which I know your welfare requires. It gives me pain to consider that we have of late had no special religious interest among us, & that ~~that~~ this may be attributed in part to the imperfection of my services. A new minister might, under God, awaken an interest where I have failed to do.

By the terms of my settlement, you are aware that I am at liberty to leave you at any time by giving six months notice. I would, therefore, request you at the expiration of six months from this time, which will complete thirty years of my ministry with you, to release me from my obligations any longer to serve you. I know that the step I propose to take is a very serious one, & it will be attended with many painful emotions. I have not, however, relied exclusively on my own judgment, but have had the counsel & advice of friends. I have also endeavored to seek direction from the great Source of light & wisdom; & I hope that the results of the step, both so far as you & myself are concerned, will not show that I have made a mistake.

The many scenes, both of a joyful & sorrowful character, through which I have passed during these thirty years, will ever be remembered by me. I can never forget the seasons when I have wept with you & rejoiced with you — wept when death has entered your homes, &

taken from you those you so tenderly loved, & rejoiced especially when the saving grace of God has visited your souls, awakened you from the slumbers of sin, & made you alive in Christ Jesus. O that I might experience more of this pleasure I leave you!

The tokens of affection I have received from time to time, & the many acts of kindness & generosity which have been shown me, will ever be fresh in my memory, particularly what was done for me on the 25th anniversary of my settlement, & when, at a later period, it became necessary that I should be absent from you for several months. The generous gifts I have received from not a few of my parishioners, their unwavering affection, the confidence they have ever reposed in me, & the numberless little acts of kindness & attention they have shown me, as well as the wish they have often expressed that I should have such an increased & necessary compensation as the present period requires, have indeed endeared them to me, & made it hard for me to leave them. For those whose progress I have watched from infancy, & have a peculiar affection. O that I might live to see all the lambs of the flock safe in the fold of the great & good Shepherd!

If you should feel that it would be best for you that I should leave you immediately, instead of waiting six months, as then by you might sooner obtain a new minister, I should of course yield to your wishes in this respect. As I have given to you the youth & vigor of my life, my interests &

happiness are of course, in a measure, identified with yours. I shall rejoice to do any thing in my power, which may promote your prosperity; & nothing will afford me more pleasure than to see you soon united in the choice of another whose ministry shall prove far more useful & successful than that of his predecessor.

Wishing you grace, mercy, & peace,

I am your friend & pastor
William S. Coffin

Feb. 19th 1868. The Church voted unanimously to adopt the following Form of Admission, Confession of Faith, & Covenant, & Questions, to be appended, for self-examination.

Form of Admission.

Dear, Beloved,

You have presented yourselves to day publicly, to renew those vows already addressed to the ear of Him who seeth in secret, to confess before men your sinfulness, your hope of pardon in Christ your Saviour, & your joy in the accepted love of God your Heavenly Father.

You are also to unite with this Church in a covenant of mutual sympathy in the Christian life, & mutual cooperation in Christian work. We therefore propose for your acceptance, our Confession of Faith, not as the ground of your hope, which must rest in Jesus Christ alone, but as the bond of our union, which must depend upon sympathy of faith & feeling.

Attend then to

The Confession of Faith.

Recognizing the unity of the Church of Christ in all the world & extending to all true believers the hand of Christian fellowship, we confess with them our faith in these great fundamental truths in which all Christians should agree.

We accept the Scriptures of the Old & New Testaments, as the word of God, composed by holy men of old, as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

We profess our faith in one God, the Father, the Son, & the Holy Spirit, — the Creator, Preserver, & Ruler of all.

We confess the common sinfulness & ruin of our race, & we know that it is only through the life & expiatory death of Christ that any can be justified before God, receive the remission of sins, & through the presence & grace of the Holy Comforter are delivered from the power of sin, & perfected in holiness.

We believe in an organized & visible Church, in the ministry, the Word, in the Sacraments of Baptism, & the Lord's Supper; in the resurrection of the dead, & in a future judgment, the issues of which are eternal life, & everlasting punishment.

Covenant.

Accepting this faith you do now, in the presence of God & this Assembly, solemnly avouch the Lord Jehovah to be your God, the supreme object of your affections, & your portion forever, you confess with sincere contrition your sins against His law & love, you trust alone in the Lord Jesus Christ His only Son for

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pard on & redemption; & relying upon the promised help
of the Holy Spirit to keep you to the end, you consecrate
yourselves unreservedly to a life of love to God & man.

Do you thus profess & believe?
(Baptism will here be administered to such as have not before
received it).

Covenant with the Church.

And now you do all promise to walk with this
Church in conformity to its Articles of Faith & Govern-
ment, to observe its ordinances, to strive for its purity
& peace, to unite with us, as God gives you strength & means,
in our work, & with God's grace to maintain before the world
a good profession by a holy & unblamable life.

(Here the members of the Church rise, & remain standing.)

In consequence of these professions & promises,
we, the members of this Church, affectionately receive you
to our Christian fellowship, cordially welcome you
to share with us in the privileges of the Gospel, & engage
to watch over you, & seek your edification, so long as
you shall continue among us.

And now, beloved in the Lord, we would
not have you unmindful of the importance of those
obligations which indeed were always upon you, but
which you have this day solemnly & publicly recognized.
Your life-battle has yet to be fought - your immor-
tal victory to be won, & the promise is only to those
who hold the beginning of their faith steadfast unto
the end. But be of good cheer. In the joy of the Lord
is your strength. And yet are not come into the

mount that might be touched, & that burned with fire; but unto Mount Zion, & unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, & to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly & Church of the first born which are enrolled in heaven, & to God the Judge of all, & to the spirits of just men made perfect, & to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, & to the blood of sprinkling which speaketh better things than that of Abel". Therefore with gladness we greet you the children & heirs of God & joint heirs with the Lord Jesus Christ. And may the very God of peace sanctify you wholly, that your whole spirit & soul, & body, be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

Self examination.

"Examine yourselves whether ye be in the faith, prove your own selves. (2nd Cor. 13:5)

- 1st. Do I discharge my covenant obligations?
- 2nd. Do I daily read the Bible with prayerful attention?
- 3^d. Do I daily pray in secret & in my family?
- 4th. Do I instruct my children & the members of my family in the truth, & feel & manifest a strong desire for their conversion to Christ?
- 5th. Do I love the Church & take an abiding interest in her prosperity, & cordially cooperate with her in every effort to advance the cause of truth?

- 6th Do I love the Sabbath, the sanctuary, & the meetings of the Church?
- 7th Is it my endeavor always to be present in the house of God on the Sabbath; & by my example & influence, to induce others to do the same?
- 8th Am I habitually present at the Communion, the Reparat^or, Lecture, & the seasons of prayer appointed for the Church?
- 9th Do I love the Sabbath School, & am I in some capacity connected with it?
- 10th Do I honor & love my Pastor for his work's sake, & remember him in my prayers? Do I tenderly guard his reputation, cheerfully cooperate with him in plans for doing good, & make known to him anything of importance relating to the welfare of the Church & the congregation?
- 11th Do I have an affection for the whole family of believers, especially those with whom I am more immediately connected in Church Covenant?
- 12th Am I systematic in my benevolence, giving according as God prospereth me?
- 13th Am I living in any known habit of sin, or in the neglect of any known duty?
- 14th Do I govern my appetite & passions?
- 15th Am I growing in grace, becoming more heavenly minded & Christ-like, & more meet to be a partaker of the inheritance of the saints in light?

The Pastor & Dea. Cole were appointed a Committee
to have the foregoing printed in the form of a
Manual for the use of the members of the Church.

March 8th 1868. By vote of the Church Mrs. Mary K. Killet
(formerly Miss. Mary E. Killam) was, at her own request,
dismissed & recommended to the Congregational Church
in Rowley (See page 51 for next entry)

April 29th 1868. Mrs Sarah B. Yerst, formerly
Sarah B. Gould, was, at her own request, dismissed
from her connection with this church and recommen-
ded to the Tabernacle Church in Chicago, Ill., under
the care of Rev J. W. Healy.

A District Council convened in the Unit
in Oxford on Thursday the

1868 in pursuance of letter Messrs. T
at Church in the West

The council was organized in the fore

Prayer was offered in the morning - The
it was found that the following churches were rep-

Church in Rowley	Rev John Allen	Pastor
Church in Springfield	Rev John Hamblatt	Delegate
Church in Danvers	Rev J. L. Good	Pastor
Church in Danvers	Rev C. B. Rice	Pastor
Church in Danvers	Rev Wm. R. Johnson	Delegate
Church in Danvers	Rev Wm. Matthews	Pastor
Church in West Boston	Rev J. H. Savage	Delegate
Church in West Boston	Rev J. H. Savage	Delegate
Church in Methuen	Rev Wm. H. Staples	Pastor
Church in Methuen	Rev Wm. H. Staples	Delegate
Church in Haverhill	Rev J. H. Staples	Delegate

The communication of the Pastor to the church began
the church and society acting for the first time in
1841 in action with them together with the action of
the Church & Society in response to this communica-
tion was then made.

A Committee consisting of the Rev. Mr. J. H. Staples
J. H. Staples and wife were appointed to draw up
the Report of the Committee. They presented the following which
was unanimously adopted.

The resolution was adopted in response
at the call of the Pastor Church and the Pastor
reported it as expedient that the relation between
them be dissolved said resolution to state
from the meeting of May 1841 this being
the last anniversary of her settlement

It was to be expected - at a Washington meeting
 that a great and useful work would be terminated by
 his death. This expectation would have been
 realized had the health of the Tegner been as
 weak as it is now. He has been able to
 know more of him as their guests in the
 room their consciences as they went home to their
 homes. This has been a great blessing to
 of our pastor - as the attention of the people to
 make the ~~connection~~ connection permanent,
 his cheerful temperament makes his pastor as
 attractive as ever to youth. His mature judgment
 and piety make him the dependence of those who
 have passed into manhood. The Church has been
 constantly gathering strength and large numbers
 are now to him as the medium through which the
 Lord's will is being done. The Lord's will is being done
 is that he cannot remain longer the savior for such
 his best years and which he has put most affectionately
 to service. He has in a long time a cessation of
 pastoral labors, but returned only by a short time
 of energy. He now feels that he can only minister
 are for the life that God has given him a cessation
 of his pastoral labors. He has in a long time a cessation
 still have continued, this would have been pleasing
 to the people. But another feels that he could not
 leave the blood without continuing the burden of
 responsibility, while his experience has taught

... his later life... so that we can
... his wishes by making the separation
permanent, and commending him to all the
... with the instruction & devotion with which he has
... his own. This church deserves
our congratulations, as well as sympathy. It has
shown that the Puritan spirit still lives, and that
the permanent pastorate are those under which
a community most flourishes. We cannot over-
come it with the idea that it will find "a new
pastor" or a pastor's family in which it may so
entirely confide as that in which it has confided
for thirty years. But God however will bless this
... of his will make up in some degree the loss to
which his benediction now belongs. In your
view of the future you will never forget that
... future harvests you will remember who has sown
the seed and he ever preparing for that day when
the sowers and reapers shall rejoice together and
you shall be the glory and the joy of those who have
... the throne, ... that Bishop ...
... with a ministry who that seem
to leave, and that successive ministries may

in Boston held June 1st 1845

Rev John K. Cole was chosen Moderator

Resolved To invite Mr H. S. Gammell to become

Pastor of the Church & to communicate the vote of the Church to the Annual Meeting

Rev John K. Cole & Rev H. S. Gammell
(Amos & Amos)

At a legal meeting of the legal voters of the first Church
in Newford held June 1st 1845

Resolved To invite Mr H. S. Gammell to be our Pastor
& to hold the services of this Church & Parish

Resolved To give him one thousand dollars ^{per year} to be paid
annually

Resolved To give him four Sabbath's vacation each year
Resolved That Mr Gammell may dissolve his connection
with the Parish by giving three months
notice, and that the Parish have the same
privilege of dissolving their connection with him

A true extract from records
Attest B. B. Barnes
Pastor

Dear Brother,

Dear Brother,

in making reply

I feel the invitation brought by you calling me to become
 your pastor and my own pastor, I am deeply and
 gratefully that God only must be quite in the matter.

Our present relations are far removed from
 heart to heart and has removed all that
 that might exist so that the way is now open for
 harmonious work by Pastor and people in his

guided by the Holy Spirit as now you in extending
 the same and our intercourse began under his

I can only urge the people to bear in mind the Lord
 and our assurance of him whom they have called and
 to maintain a spirit of charity and forbearance,

Yours truly,

I cannot be so far from assuming, when you
 you have shewn a true motive for the future the
 present harmony; and I do not wish to think
 of your elation and exert to faithfulness
 only on your part, accept with this answer to
 your call, that I hope also that, God keeping me
 I will be faithful to all trusts committed to
 me, bringing all my powers into the work
 which is before me.

But "having many many things to write unto
 you, I would not write with ink and in
 ink, but I want to come unto you and speak face
 to face, that our joy may be full."

and now may the love of Jesus our Lord abide
 in all your hearts and make you perfect until
 the day of his coming, that you all may be one
 kind,

Yours truly,

Wm. Lloyd Garrison

in Christ

Wm. L. Garrison

At a meeting of the First Church in Bedford,
held in the evening of the 11th day of March 1861.

Chose Dea. Samuel Birby Moderator.

Chose Dea. John H. Cole Scribe.

Voted that a committee of three be chosen to take
into consideration the notice given by our pastor
in relation to dissolving the connection between the
Church and the people.

Chose as this committee { Dea. John H. Cole
Dea. Samuel Birby
Benjamin. Roberts.

Voted that a committee of three be chosen to
draft resolutions expressive of our sympathy and
good feeling towards the Pastor, and present them
at the adjourned meeting.

Chose { T. P. Dorman
Ancil Dorman
Dea. J. H. Cole

Voted to adjourn this meeting for one week.

John H. Cole
Scribe.

At the adjourned meeting of the First Church
in Bedford held March 18th, 1861.

The record of the meeting held the week previous
was read by the Scribe.

Voted that we proceed to choose by ballot

is clerk to keep the church records.

Those Are Concurred

Voted to accept of the resolutions presented by the committee.

Voted to choose a committee to deliver a copy of the same to the Pastor.

Those Thomas P. Dorman.

Voted that the meeting be discontinued.

Wm. N. Cole

Secy.

The following is a copy of the resolutions adopted.

At a meeting of the Church held at the pastor's residence on the 1st of May 1850

Rev. Bro. S. Coggin, has formally communicated his intention to terminate his pastoral connection with this church in May next; and it is deemed proper that some action be taken on the subject by the church. It is the feeling of the church that while we regret the present state of health, which has led him to take this course, we are fully sensible that he might have remained our Pastor; yet in view of his own convictions of duty, and the indications of divine providence, as a sign of his course, and his bold resolution ready to join with him, and the church in taking such measures as may be deemed proper with the view of

whenever he is of the quorum, and of
terminating his relation with us.

Resolved: that in reviewing the thirty years' ministry,
now nearly closed, we have abundant cause
for gratitude to the great Head of the Church,
for so many mercies which he has labored so earnestly,
and faithfully to promote the temporal and
eternal good of this people and for crowning
his labors with so good a degree of success!
and in the prospect of parting with our
reverend minister, let his and our mutual prayers,
that his health may be strengthened and confirmed,
so that he may yet for many years be useful
in the Church and in the world; that his
last days may be his best days, and that he
may finally be gathered with those who have
turned many to right testimony, and shine
as the stars forever."

Resolved: that a copy of these resolutions be delivered
to our pastor.

I am John W. C. was a member, and
 I am a member of the Committee
 with the Board and the Board in the
 and in the future in the future
 and in the future in the future

John W. C. was a member
 of the Board and the Board

Sept 6th 1868

A letter was recd from the
 New Orleans Congregational Church in
 Louisiana requesting our attendance in the Memorial
 Service by pastor and delegate on Wednesday the
 10th inst to assist in the ordination of M. & L.
 with our wife at 10 o'clock. The Church at
 the Daniel W. C. to be our delegate.

Sept 15th 1868. Mrs. M. L. W. C. was
 dismissed from office her connection with the
 Church and recommended to the Women's St.
 Church in which she is a member.

Con't of Minutes of the Convention. Res.
The First Series

1844
at Fair Haven

Members of the Church and society, meeting to
consider the report of the Committee to be their pastor
and agent for the year, the report was read in his
presence & after much discussion of the
same were read. The committee's report
pertaining to the regular church members & to
the members to be received was also presented.

It was then stated that the church had adopted
a resolution to proceed to the examination of
the candidates for membership.

Resolved, That the church have a meeting on
the 1st of June to examine the candidates
for the church to be received.

The church then adjourned & did unanimously
adopt the committee's report & the
arrangement to be made for the examination.
It was then a committee of three appointed
to prepare the report.

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for the church to be received.

Constitution & By-Laws of the Church

Oct. 4th 1868 A letter was read from the Cong. Ch. in W. Amesbury requesting attendance by pastor & delegate upon the ordination of Mr. Lewis Legory. The Church appointed Jefferson Kimball

Dec 20th 1868 A letter was read from the Ch in Middleton asking attendance by pastor & delegate at a Council called to consider the dismissal of Rev. J. M. Hubbard. Bro Thomas Dorman was appointed.

Apr. 26th 1869 A letter was read from the Cong Ch in Lifford asking attendance by pastor & delegate at a Council called to consider the pastor relation to the dismissal of Rev. A. McLeod. Bro Jones, dea. [For next year, see tip of pg 59.]

Sept. 10th 1869 A letter was read from the Ch in Middleton asking attendance by pastor and delegate at a Council called to examine and if satisfied to ordain Mr. Lucien H. Frey. Dea. J. K. Cole, dea.

Nov. 7th 1869 A letter was read from the Ch in Rowley asking attendance by pastor and delegate at a Council called to examine Rev. L. H. Blake. Bro Wm Sawyer was delegate.

Nov. 25th 1869 A letter was read from the Ch in Lifford asking attendance by pastor & delegate at a Council called to examine Rev. C. P. Tinsley. Dea. S. Bixby was delegate.

Feb 6th 1870 By vote of the Church Chas L. Coggin was at his own request dismissed & recommended to the Salem St. Church Boston by J. H. M. Dow, Pastor.

Sept 12th 1869 A letter was read from the Cong. Ch. in N. Brimingham, Vt. asking attendance by pastor and del. at the Ordination of Mr. Henry C. Weston. Bro. Paul Gould, del.

May 22nd 1870 Rev. Albert B. Peabody in his miss. at 8 o'clock recommended to the Cong. Ch. in Strotham, N. H.

June 26th 70 Mrs. Julia M. Perkins was dismissed & recommended to the Maple St. Ch. in Denver, under the pastoral care of Rev. James Brand.

" Mrs. Lydia A. Brown was dismissed & recommended to the 1st Cong. Ch. in Bethel Me. Rev. Eugene Titus, pastor.

June 29th 70 By vote of the Church the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will hereafter be administered in the P.M.

Sept 25th 70 A letter was read from the Cong. Ch. in Lifford asking attendance by pastor & delegate in Council to consider the resignation of Rev. E. P. Tenney, Bro. Isaac Hale del.

Oct. 30th A letter was read from a Ch. in Lincoln asking attendance by pastor & delegate at a Council called to consider the resignation of Rev. A. M. Richardson 5th Del. John H. Cole, del.

Dec 11th 1870 Mr. and Mrs. Jennie L. Sawyer (Helen Barnes) were dismissed & recommended to the Cong. Ch. Levermore Maine
 Mess. Rev. M. Broad, pastor.

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 Jan 26th /1. Mrs. Almira Adams was dismissed & recommended to the
 Cong. Ch. Georgetown, Mass.

June 28th Mrs. S. S. Alden was dismissed & recommended to the
 Church in E. Long N. H. Rev. David Brewster.

June 18th /1 A letter was read from the Church in Lefsefield
 inviting attendance by pastor and delegate at a Council
 called to examine & if agreeable to install Rev Mr. Fitts
 Dea. S. Bixby was delegate.

Nov. By vote of the Ch. John Loney was dismissed and recom-
 mended to the Salem & Marine's Ch in Boston

1872

Feb. 18th By vote of the Ch. Mrs. J. J. Dale was dismissed and
 commended to the Ch in Chester, N. H.

Apr 28th A letter was read from the Wintthrop Ch, Cheshire inviting
 attendance by pastor & delegate at a Council called to install
 Rev. A. S. Lumbly. Mess. P. Linn, do.

* Apr. 28th A letter was read from the Cong. Ch. Linbrook Parish
 asking attendance at a Council to consider the settlement of
 Rev. Benjamin Howe. Affection Home do.

- Dec. 28th '72 By vote of the Church (Chas. A. Barnes was dismissed & recommended to the Cong. Ch. about to be organized in La Moille, Iowa.
- 1873
- Jan 28th A letter was received from the 1st Cong. Ch. in Georgetown asking attendance by pastor & delegate to consider the ordination of Mr. L. R. Beecher, B. S. Barnes delegate.
- May 18th Voted to attend the semi-annual conference at Lohsfield on the 21st inst.
Dea. J. H. Cole, Rev. Amiel Darnen, debs.
- Apr 27th 1874 By vote of the church, Mrs Chas. N. (Sixty) Sargent was dismissed & recommended to the Cong. Ch. in W. Amherst Rev. Lewis Sargent.
- Aug 12th '74 Mrs. L. Helen (Gould) Stevens was dismissed & recommended to the North Cong. Ch. Haverhill Rev. Dr. Seelye.
- March 7th 1875 Letter-missive from the Evangelical Cong. Ch. in Bore was read asking attendance by Pastor and Delegates to consider as to the settlement of Mr. Frederic Palmer. Voted to attend. Bro. B. Frank Barnes delegate.
- March 14th 1875 Letter-missive from Church in Middleton was read asking attendance of pastor and delegate to consider the resignation of their pastor Rev. H. Fry. Bro. Wm. F. Sawyer, del.

- March 21, 1875 Letter-missive from 1st Ch. in Georgetown was read asking attendance by pastor and delegate to consider the resignation of their pastor, Rev. T. R. Beecher.
Bro. James P. Cleveland, delegate.
- Aug 15, 1875 Bro. J. Warren Killam by vote of the Church was dismissed & commended to the care and fellowship of the Congregational Church Reading. W^m H. Willcox, Pastor
- Oct. 10, '75 A Letter-missive from Maple St. Ch. Danvers was read asking attendance by pastor and delegate to advise on the Installation of Rev. W. G. C. Wright. W^m H. Kimball, del.
- 1876
- Feb. 6th 1876 Mrs. Sarah J. (Linsden) Trice was dismissed and recommended to The Central Church, Lynn, Rev. A. H. Currier
- July 16 Frank. H. Palmer was dismissed & recommended to the Fort St. Ch. Honolulu, H. I. Rev. W. Thier.
- Aug 27 Oliver P. Killam was dismissed & recommended to the Cong. Ch. in W. Buxford
- Aug 27 A letter missive from South Ch. in Georgetown was read asking attendance by pastor & delegate at a Council called to consider the installation of Rev. A. F. Marsh. Mrs W. Howe, delegate.
- 1877
- Feb. 4th Mrs. C. C. Stevens was dismissed & recommended to the South Cong. Ch. S. Frammingham, Mass., Rev. D. Beers.
- June 24 Miss Sarah C. Pearce to the First Ch. Lynn Rev. Walter Barton

Oct. 7th Dea. J. K. Cole & Bro. J. P. Cleveland were appointed delegates to the Semi-annual Conference at Lynn.

Oct. 21. A letter missing from Ch. in Middleton was read asking attendance to consider installation of Rev. Mr. Tyler. Geo. Kilbourne.

also voted that the deacons of the Church constitute a Committee on Nominations to bring in names of delegates to Councils, Conferences &c.

Dec. 9th By vote of the church Mrs. Harriet A. Pleisted was, at her own request, dismissed and recommended to the Free Will Baptist Church in Ashland, N.H., Rev. John T. Ward.

Dec 29th Mr. John Jones was dismissed, and recommended to the Cong. Church in Greenville, N.H.

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Jan. 21 Mrs Harriet S. (Fuller) Smith was dismissed and recommended to the Lincolnton Parish Church.

Feb 20th
~~Feb 20th~~ A letter missing was received from the Church in W. Bay-
ford asking attendance by pastor & delegate, ^{Feb. 20th} to consider the
ordination of Mr. Saml Rowe, a deaf-mute. Mr. Foster Pur-
ley was chosen to go, but Dea. Bixby served in his stead.

May 12. Dea. Cole and D. W. Anant were appointed to attend the Semi-annual Conference at Ipswich as delegates.

- 1878 May 12. A letter missing from Ch. in W. Buxford was read asking attendance by pastor & delegate to consider the resignation of Rev. Jos. McLean Brother Foster Smiley, delegate.
- July 7th The Congregation voted to have the P.M. service at 5 o'clock for 2 months. [But, on the whole, the experiment failed; it would have been better a little earlier or later.]
- Oct. 6 Bro. B. S. Barnes & Jos. Jones were chosen delegates to the Conference of Churches at Gumbie St. Ch. Salem.
- Dec. 15 Lizzie H. Bowers is dismissed, & recommended to the John St. Church Lowell; see Jos. B. Seabury.
- 1879 Jan 5th Wm. H. Howe was chosen delegate with the pastor to attend a Council called to meet at W. Buxford 13th inst. to consider as to the Installation of Rev. (Chas. L. Hubbard).
- May 11th Mr & Mrs. Wm. H. Kimball were dismissed by vote of the Church & recommended to the Third St. Church, Danvers, Rev. C. B. Rice.
- June - David Danvers was chosen to attend with the pastor an Ex-Parte Council called by the Church in W. Buxford to consider some complaints made against the preaching & pastoral work of Rev. W. H. Hitts.
- Oct. Delegates were not appointed to the Semi-annual Conf. at Lynn.

Apr 14. Council to advise as to Mr. Hille's resignation at Zionsville this day.
Bro. Jas. P. Cleveland was appointed delegate, but Bro. J. H. did not attend.

Apr 29 Council to advise as to Mr. Hille's resignation at Zionsville.
Bro. Geo. Kilian delegate

May 16. Bros. Geo. H. Cole & B. S. Barnes were chosen delegates to the Semi-annual Conference at ...

July 4th 1856. Letter of Resignation from Bro.
S. J. Sammons, (after having given the
required three months' notice to the Parish.)

To the Church and Congregation of the First Parish
in Bexford, Dear Friends:

It is with no
little reluctance, in view of your long-continued friend-
ness, that I address you on the subject of my resig-
nation. I do not, however, take you by surprise, as the
possibility of this step has lately become apparent to
most, if not all of you. My own heart responds to
the many expressions of regret which you have already
uttered. These twelve years of my pastoral have
been pleasant years. There has been a remarkable degree
of unanimity between pastor and people. We have wrought to-
gether in the service of Christ and our labors have not been in
vain, nor our reward slight. There can be no future equal
period of my life that shall bring to me equal content

and delight in the ~~local~~ ministry; of this I am sure, and I cannot go away from you without leaving in your my testimony to the great kindness and forbearance, and the generous support which have been accorded to me throughout my ministry. I do not take this step from any strong inclination to abandon my pastorate here. It would not have been very difficult to ~~anticipate~~ ^{contemplate} a much longer settlement amongst you. There are great advantages in long pastorates. It is well that pastor and people should resolve to live together in mutual confidence, enduring the little differences that are likely to arise, living through & living down those disturbances which occasionally break in upon the general quiet of our lives. When this is successfully done, the bonds of union are strengthened just as bonds quarrels provevidly draw them closer together.

So that I do not take this step from any impatience at the growing length of my pastorate.

However, there is much here that still holds me to the place. I cannot forget these young people who have grown to be men & women since I came. I cannot forget the houses into which songs have brought me, making firm the bonds between us. I cannot forget my aged friends to whom in my youth I have been privileged to minister. These & many like memories make my present duty a painful one.

But, the recent sad changes in my family, the many changes that have come over this community, some good as to the future, and the providential opening of a new field of labor, with some other reasons seem to subside the influence of making the change I contemplate.

But, on many accounts, it is a good time for me to go away, so on many accounts it is a good time for you to undertake the incidents of a change of pastors.

You will be united; you are still able to furnish adequate support for a minister, the church numbers more by ten than 12 years ago, and though, in some respects, the future may be discouraging still the promises are yours, and your prayers shall avail much. It seems therefore best that I should say farewell - commending you to the Lord and his grace.

I suggest that the ministry close with the completion of my twelfth year on Aug. 31st, and ask that the church and parish each appoint a committee to provide for the orderly conducting of the gentle hands between us.

Yours in the faith and love of the Gospel

Bedford, July 4th 1880

Samuel D. Cammell

At a business meeting of the Church held July 7th the pastor acting as Moderator

Voted, To accept the resignation of Rev. S. D. Cammell subject to the advice of Council.

Voted, - To appoint a committee to confer with the pastor and a committee from the parish in regard to the calling of a Council.

Dea. J. R. Cole, Dea. Amos S. John George, were chosen a committee on the part of the Church.

(over)

Voted, - To appoint a Clerk of the Church
Chose Annie Dorman.

Voted: - To appoint a committee to revise the church roll
and report to the church for action.
Chose as this committee brother B. S. Barnes
with the pastor & deacons.

The meeting was then dissolved.
S. D. Lammels, pastor.

July 29th At a meeting of the Church (of which notice was given on the pre-
vious Sunday) the Church adopted the following Resolves.

Whereas Mrs. S. W. Adams of Georgetown, and Mrs.
Hannah Gurley of Danvers have, by their own written state-
ments, expressed a want of sympathy with the creed of the
Church & have renounced their covenant obligation,

Resolved; that their connection with this Church is
hereby dissolved and their names shall be dropped from
the Church-rolls.

July 29th Mr. Wm. Sawyer & wife were dismissed & recommended to the
Universal Church in Georgetown by P. P. Birch

Attest
Annie Dorman

(Yolanda)

Resolution passed at a church meeting July 18. 1881

Resolved, that while we accede to the request of our pastor that his relation to this church & society, should be dissolved we deeply regret that he should feel it to be his duty to make such a request. We had hoped that he would spend the evening as well as the morning of life with us; that the union between pastor & people would become stronger and stronger as the years rolled on, and that naught but death would sunder it. In reviewing his ministry we feel that we have much reason for gratitude to the great Head of the Church in sending him to us. The 12 years he has been with us have been those those both of profit & pleasure. He has shown himself to be an able and interesting preacher & a true friend in times of adversity and affliction, as well as of prosperity. He leaves us without a stain upon his character either as a man or as a christian minister & with our well wishes & prayers for his success in the new field of labor to which Providence seems to call him. He has our sincere sympathy in the great trial through which he has recently passed, whereby he was deprived of one who had indeed been a help-meet to him, making his home happy, & cheering and aiding him in his work. Her removal must have thrown a sadness over his ministry here & probably was one of the causes which led him to seek a field of labor where such painful associations would not exist. May he find in God his "refuge & strength" and a very present help in this time of trouble.

James P. Cleveland
Secretary

A true copy attested A. L. Torrey
Clerk

The ecclesiastical council called by the First Cong'l Church in Buxford to advise in regard to the dismissal of the pastor Rev A. D. Gammell commenced in the meeting house Buxford Tuesday Aug 3, at 2 1/2 P.M. The council was called to order by Rev D. D. Marsh of Georgetown who read the letter mission.

Rev Wm. S. Coggin having been chosen Moderator led in prayer

Rev C. L. Hubbard was chosen scribe

The council was constituted as follows:

Rev Wm. S. Coggin Buxford

Rev W. E. Wright Pastor } Maple St
Bro Wallau R. Perry Del } Ch. Danners

Bro Geo H. Leabody Del 1st Ch. Danners

Rev D. D. Marsh Pastor } Memorial Ch
Bro Richard Tenney Del } Georgetown

Dea Daniel Willey Del Congl Ch Topsfield

Rev C. L. Hubbard Pastor } 2nd Ch
Bro Wm R. Kimball Del } Buxford

The pastor's letter of resignation and the records of the church and parish relating to it were read. After additional statements by the pastor and members of

the church and parish it was voted unanimously
 "That the relation existing between Rev. J. D. Gammell
 and this church be now dissolved."

Rev. D. D. March & Rev. Mr. Wright were chosen a committee
 to prepare the result of the council.

The Committee submitted the following report
 which was adopted.

"The ecclesiastical Council called in Boxford
 Aug. 3. 1880. to consider the resignation of the Pastor
 Rev. J. D. Gammell, after due deliberation arrive at
 the following result.

In view of the marked providential circumstances,
 which have led to the Pastor's resignation, we feel
 constrained to advise that the pastoral tie of twelve
 years duration be sundered. We note with great
 satisfaction the tender and affectionate relation
 which has continued unbroken during all the years
 of this pastorate, and the perfect mutual confidence
 exhibited in both the giving and accepting of
 this resignation.

We most heartily commend the Pastor to the
 confidence of the church to which he is called, and
 join our testimony to that expressed by this church
 and parish to his unblemished character, his
 sterling ability as a preacher, his faithfulness as
 a pastor, and the wholesome influence of his
 pastorate on this community, and we can but
 wish him blessings in like measure in the new
 field to which he goes.

We express to the church our cordial sympathies

in the loss of a loved and trusted a pastor, and
 commend them to the guidance and grace of the
 great Head of the Church in the hope that he will
 soon send them a new pastor under whom the
 important work of this church will continue to
 prosper

Having completed the work for which it was
 called, the council voted to adjourn without date

Wm H. Loggin Moderator
 L. S. Hubbard Scribe

Boxford Mass Aug 3 - 1886

A true Copy

Attest

Ancill Dorman

Clerk

The Memorial Church of Georgetown
to the First Church in Boxford

Sends with greeting

Brothers Beloved It is to certify that Mrs. W. S.
William Sawyer in accordance with your letter, has been
received to the watch and fellowship of this church

In the bonds of Christian fellowship

Flusheil Perley } Clerk

Georgetown Sept 12. 1880

A true copy attested

Anell Dorman Clerk

Oct 10. 1880 John N. Cole was dismissed and recommended
to the Free Church Andover, Mass,

Oct 10. 1880 Brother J. P. Cleaveland & wife were appointed
delegates to the Semi-annual Conference at Manchester

Oct 17 1880. Rev S. D. Gammell was dismissed and
recommended to the Chestnut Street Church Lynn

Oct 31 A letter missive from the Chestnut St Ch in Lynn was read
asking the attendance of Pastor & delegate to consider installation
of Rev S. D. Gammell. By request of said Ch & Pastor elect Rev W. S.
Coggin was chosen to attend as pastor & Deaf & Cole was home delegate

Call of the Church to Rev Ira C. Tyson

At a business meeting of the First Church in Roxford held October 26. 1880.

B^g Barnes was chosen Moderator.

Vote. Unanimously to invite Rev Ira C. Tyson to settle with us in the Christian Ministry as pastor and religious teacher.

Vote. To choose a Committee of three to communicate the action of the Church to Mr Tyson, in case the Parish concurs,

Chose, Rev W. H. Loggin
Dea John R. Cole
Daniel W. Conant } Committee for that purpose

The Parish concurred in the above call November 4, and near the close of the month Mr Tyson sent a communication declining the call.

Dec 19, 1880. Mrs Vincent A Towne was dismissed and recommended to the South Church in Salem, Mass.

Call of the Church to Rev Wm P. Alcott.

At a business meeting of the First Church in Boxford
held Jan'y 17. 1881
James P. Cleveland was chosen Moderator

Voted To invite Rev Wm P. Alcott to settle with us in the
Christian Ministry as pastor and religious teacher

Voted To choose a committee of three to communicate
the action of the church to Mr Alcott in case the Parish
concur.

Chose

Rev W. S. Coggin }
Dea J. K. Cole } Committee
John Sawyer }

Voted That this committee be authorized to make arrange-
ments for the installation of Mr Alcott in case
the Parish concur and he accepts the call ^{And the} offered to

(For concurrence of Parish see page 97)

Rev Mr Alcotts acceptance

To Rev W. S. Coggin, Dea John K. Cole & Mr John Sawyer
Committee of the First Church in Boxford Mass:

And Messrs J. Herman Wm P. Cleveland and J. P.
Cleveland sons of the First Parish in Boxford

Dear Brethren,

Your letters inviting me to become
your pastor and teacher were received one week since.

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Members of the Church at the time of Mr. Coggins' Ordination.

Francis Peabody
 Josiah Kimball
 Oliver Peabody
 * Mrs. Peley
 Putnam Peley
 Samuel Williams
 Ezra Towne
 Daniel Peley
 Joseph Batchelder
 John Sawyer
 Mary Batchelder
 Arch Peley
 Sally Foster
 Mary H. Kimball
 Betsey Foster
 Sarah Sawyer
 Sarah A. Peabody
 Sarah Warden
 Nancy Gould
 Charlotte Towne
 Elizabeth Bradstreet
 Eliza Gould
 Elizabeth Dorman
 Huldah Dorman
 Huldah Dorman, Junior
 Anna Gould
 Maria Symonds

* Sarah R. Peabody
 Sarah Warden Junior
 * Deborah Peley
 * Huldah Peley
 * Sophia Kimball
 * Nancy Henick
 * Ann Gallup
 * Mary Dorman
 * Lydia Gould
 * Deborah Dorman
 Sarah Chapman
 Anna Peabody
 * Nancy Peabody
 * Peley Peley

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Persons received to the Church during the ministry of Mr. Coggin.

March 3^d 1839. Joseph E. Hillam by profession.
 " " James H. Peabody " "
 May 5th 1839. Samuel Adams " "
 " " George F. Creasy " "
 " " William Atherton " "
 " " Betsy Atherton " "
 " " Lucinda Lowe by letter from the Ch. in Georgetown.
 Novem 3^d 1839. Lucy Peabody by letter from Bowdoin St. Ch. Boston.
 July 7th 1839. Ann Garrison by letter from the Ch. in Topsfield.
 " " Sarah Adams by profession.
 " " Elizabeth Wells " "
 Sept 1st 1839. Stephen Peabody " "
 " " Oliver P. Hillam " "
 " " John Spiller " "
 " " George Hubbard " "
 " " Nancy Perley " "
 " " Mary Butler " "
 " " Lucy P. Fuller " "
 " " Elizabeth Wells, Junior " "
 " " Mary Ann Peabody " "
 " " Malissa Peabody " "
 * Novem 3^d 1839. John Gould " "
 March 1st 1840. Achitabbe Peley " "
 " " Hannah Brown by letter from Toward St. Ch. Salem.
 Sept. 5th 1841. Rachel Atherton by profession.
 Novem 6th 1842. Lydia P. Spiller " "
 " " Mary J. Spiller " "

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- Novem 6th 1842. Sarah A. Peabody by profession
 " " Rehitabel S. Peabody " "
 " " Mary S. Cole " "
 " " Mary C. Coggin by letter from the Ch. in Tewksbury
 March 5th 1843. Seth Butler by profession
 May 7th 1843. Mrs A. Rowe " "
 July 2nd 1843. Samuel Bixby " "
 " " John K. Cole " "
 " " Louisa T. Moulton " "
 " " Elanor Bixby by letter from Tabernacle Ch. Salem
 Novem 5th 1843. Elizabeth G. P. Smith by letter from the Ch. in Topsfield
 May 5th 1844. Abram T. Pierce ^(Mrs. Aaron Smith) " "
 July 7th 1844. Jacob Peabody by letter from Park St. Ch. Boston
 " " Lydia Peabody " "
 " " Ruth Rowe by letter from the Ch. in Hill N.H.
 Novem 3rd 1844. Elizabeth L. Sawyer by letter from Park St. Ch. Boston.
 Sept. 13th 1846. Mrs Clarissa Hardy by letter from the Congregational Church
 in Springfield Vt.
 Oct. 4th 1846. Mrs Lucina R. Pierce by letter from the Congregational Church
 in Kindge N.H.
 May 2nd 1847. Mrs Lydia A. Gould by letter from the Congregatio-
 nal Church in Watford Me.
 Jan. 7th 1849 Mrs Sophronia Ruff by profession
 " " Miss Olive Gould " "
 May 6th 1849. Mrs Dorcas Atterton by letter from the Congre-
 gational Church in Georgetown.

Church Admissions.

- May 5th 1850. Miss Mary Kimball by profession.
" " Mrs Maria F. C. Peabody " "
Jan. 5th 1851. Moses Rey Russ by profession
" " Jacob Love Peabody " "
" " George W. Atherton " "
" " Harriette Anne Towne " "
" " Sarah Jane Perley " "
" " Harriett Spiller " "
" " Harriett Sewell Spiller " "
" " Emily Augusta Burken " "
" " Sarah Ellen Bixby " "
" " Sarah Elizabeth Kimball " "
" " Mary Anne Kimball " "
" " Julia Anne Atherton " "
May 4th 1851. Miss Frances Rebecca Spofford by profession.
" " Mrs Julia Maria Perkins " "
Sept. 7th 1851. Mrs Hannah Lemantia Mc'Gregor by profession
" " Mrs Mary Jane Peabody " "
July 4th 1852. Mrs Hannah Hale Dorman by profession
" " Miss Caroline Eliza Peabody " "
May 1st 1853. Mr Alfred Brown by letter from the Salem Church
in Boston.
May 1st 1853. Mrs Maria N. Brown by letter from the West Congrega-
tional Church in Dracut.
Jan. 1st 1854. Mr Albert B. Peabody by profession.
" " Mrs Abigail Blanchard by letter from
the Presbyterian Church in Newstead N. J.

Church Admissions

Sept. 3^d. 1854. Mrs. Abigail Bacon by profession.

July 1st. 1855. Mrs. Hannah Creelman Frame by profession

Sept. 2nd. 1855. Mr Isaac Hale by profession.

" " Mrs Margaret Hale by profession.

" " Mrs Margaret R. Strout by profession.

July 6th. 1856. Mrs Mable Hale by letter from the Church at Boxford

Jan. 3^d. 1858. Mrs. Hannah Guley by profession.

July 4th. 1858. Daniel Gould by profession

" " Sarah B. Gould " "

" " Mary Ann B. Gould " "

" " Martha Jane Gould " "

" " Lydia Helen Gould " "

" " John Hale " "

" " Matilda Ann Hale " "

" " John Hale, Jr. " "

" " William Hale " "

" " Harriett M. Hale " "

" " Harrison Hale " "

" " Isaac Hale Jr. " "

" " Daniel W. Conant " "

" " Matilda Ann Conant " "

" " Anne Dorman " "

" " Richard F. Guley " "

" " Ellen J. Guley " "

" " Benjamin S. Barnes " "

" " Sarah R. Barnes " "

" " Dorcas E. Barnes " "

" " Phineas W. Barnes " "

" " Harriet M. Barnes " "

Church Admissions.

July 4 th , 1858.	Calvin Smith	by profession	
"	Rehitable M. Smith	"	"
"	George B. Killam	"	"
"	Elizabeth L. Killam	"	"
"	Mary E. Killam	"	"
"	Sarah M. E. Killam	"	"
"	Charles M. Killam	"	"
"	Eliza Killam	"	"
"	Joseph Foster	"	"
"	Mary Anna Batchelder	"	"
"	Ellen Agnes Batchelder	"	"
"	Mary Peabody Batchelder	"	"
"	Solomon M. Lowe	"	"
"	Ellen A. Mills	"	"
"	Rebecca H. Bixby	"	"
"	Rebecca J. Stephens	"	"
"	Elizabeth A. Twissden	"	"
"	Joseph H. James	"	"
"	Hilda E. James	"	"
"	Almira Adams	"	"
"	William Sawyer	"	"
"	John Sawyer Jr.	"	"
"	Samuel L. Sawyer	"	"
"	Annie E. Sawyer	"	"
"	Elizabeth S. Kimball	"	"
"	Henry J. Kimball	"	"

Church Admissions.

July 4 th 1858.	Mary C. Sawyer	by letter from the 1 st Baptist Ch. Salem	
" " "	Dorcas Barnes	" "	"
Sept. 5 th 1858.	Jefferson Kimball	by profession	
" " "	Mary J. Kimball	" "	
" " "	Mary Peabody	" "	
" " "	Sophia B. Sawyer	" "	
" " "	Eletta H. Mead	" "	
" " "	Lydia A. F. Gould	" "	
" " "	Sarah C. Pierce	" "	
" " "	John H. Brown	" "	
Jan. 2 nd 1859.	Mary Elizabeth Greenleaf Dorman	" "	
" " "	Elizabeth Georgiana Dorman	" "	
Sept. 2 nd 1860.	John James	by profession	
" " "	Lucretia M. James	" "	
" " "	Sarah S. Hale	" "	
" " "	Fidelia B. Merrill	" "	
July 7 th 1861.	Mrs. Stephen Cook	by letter from the Ch. in Newham	
Sept. 8 th 1861.	Mrs. Judith Cummings	by profession	
Jan. 4 th 1863.	Mary Jane Dale	by profession	
" " "	Lizzie Frye	" "	
" " "	Abby Rebecca Cole	" "	
" " "	Mar Ellen Cole	" "	
" " "	Lizzie Harriett Bowers	" "	
" " "	Florence Ellen Coggin	" "	
" " "	Roscoe Wimer Gage	" "	
" " "	Charles Alfred Barnes	" "	
" " "	Joseph Warren Killam	" "	

Members of the Church at the time of Mr. Gunnell's Ordination

* Mrs. Sam. Zoune
 * — Widow John Sawyer +
 — Nancy S. Andrews
 John Sawyer
 Mrs. E. L. Sawyer
 — Daniel Gould
 * Jacob Batchelder +
 Wm. Atterton
 Mrs. Elmira E. Atterton
 — Lucinda Lou @
 * Miss Lucy Peabody +
 Mrs. Sam'l V. Ayers +
 — Melissa P. Batchelder
 — Mary E. Coggin
 Wm. A. Howe
 Mrs. Ruth —
 Sam'l Bixby
 Mrs. Eliza — +
 Jn. K. Cole
 Mrs. Mary S. —
 * Abraham T. Pearce +
 @ Mrs. — +
 * Miss Olive Gould +
 * Moses R. Kist +
 * Mrs. — +
 — @ Jn. N. Zoune (Dismissed)
 (Dec 19, 1880)

Mrs. Sam'l Killam
 * Isaac Hale +
 Mrs. —
 — Margaret R. Stout.
 * Mrs. Caroline E. Peabody
 Mrs. Demah Gundry
 (never married, died July 1880)
 Dan'l Gould
 Mrs. Mary A. B. Gould
 — Martha F. —
 * dis Lydia H. —
 John Hale
 Mrs. —
 Paul W. Conant
 Mrs. —
 Ansell Turner
 Mrs. —
 Richard H. Lurley
 Mrs. —
 — Sam'l P. —
 Benjamin S. Barnes
 Mrs. —
 a Miss Sarah R. —
 @ dis ^{Dec 70} Josias E. d
 + Calvin Smith +
 a Mrs. —
 Geo. B. Killam +

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Mrs. Geo. B. Kilsom
 Solomon W. Lou
 Miss Rebecca H. Bixby ^{dis} @
 Mrs. Anna Stevens
 — for Townsend
 for H. Jones
 Mrs.
 ? (Wm Sawyer) {dismissed
 July 1870
 Mrs. Dec 70
 @ dis Sam'l L. Sawyer
 Miss Annie E. —
 Mrs. Sam'l Kimball +
 @ Henry J. —
 @ Jefferson — +
 Mrs.
 — Thom. Sawyer
 Miss Sarah C. Pease [dis June 27]
 Mrs. Nathaniel Lawrence
 — Sarah D. Hall
 — for Averill
 — David L. Hale dis. Feb 72
 Mrs. Lizzie Page
 — Roscoe W. Gage. +
 Mrs.
 Mrs. Florence E. Coggins
 dis 72 (Charles A. Barnes
 dis. for. W. Kilsom
 a 1/2 in L. Sawyer dismissed
 * d (Chas. L. Coggins
 dismissed Feb 6th 70

* Mrs. Sarah Johnson
 — C. E. Stevens dis
 * Mrs. Hannah Love +
 — Mary N. Cawley
 — Harriett
 Mrs. Ada B.
 Mrs. Hannah Thorne +
 * Thom. P. Dorman
 @ Chas. L. Palmer
 — Frank H. — dis
 @ Oscar Persons
 @ Mrs.
 dis John Leslie Dounay

Residents — 94

Non Residents
 Oliver P. Kilsom (dis) Aug. 78
 Stephen Peabody
 * Mrs. Leila Wells + 70
 — E. W. Adair (dis) July 70
 d B. Roberts dis June 70
 d A. B. Peabody dismissed
 May 70
 — Isaac Hale Jr. + 78
 Mrs. Geo. W. Van
 Mary Ellen Betts
 Mrs. Ellen T. Keckhorn
 (d) — Myria Adair
 dismissed June 77

Mrs. S. A. A. Zwickhoff her
John Jones dis Dec 77

* Mrs. — — +

— Harriett J. White (dis Dec 77)

— Wm Keyes

— Harriet Smith - ^{dis. Apr 78} live

Alonso Hubbard

Mrs. Leonard Glover dis June 70

Miss [Emily A. Bunker] (said to have been dismissed)

— Notable M. Smith. (Mrs. Nat. Smith)

John H. Brown

Mrs. Mary Ellen Todd.

Miss Lizzie Harriett Bowers dis Dec 78

Thos. Kieran Savvy

Non-Residents	25	{	Males 40
Residents	94		Females 79
	<u>119</u>		

~~By Removal 1868~~ #

Sept 1 st 69	Residents	93
	Non-residents	29
	Total	<u>122</u>

Sept 70	Res	96
	Non-R.	<u>25</u>
		121

Feb. 15 th 70	Residents	82 + 11 = 93	{
	Non "	28 + 1 = 29	
		<u>111 + 12 = 123</u>	

Admissions to the Church during the
Ministry of Mr. Gamwell.

- Oct. 11th 1868 George L. Gamwell Minister
- Mrs. Nannie W. Gamwell x
- By letter from the 1st Ch in Chestnut.
- March 7th 1869 * Mrs. Rose B. B. Ly; 1st Ch in Methuen. +
- May 2nd 1869 Mary Ellen Perley (in profession)
- Annie Dudley Batchelder "
- Susan Elmira Kildam "
- Margaret Hens "
- * @ Church from Lewisden dismissed Feb 66
- July 4th 1869 Mary Sawyer " "
- Sept. 5th 1869 Susan M. Frye " "
- Lizzie J. Ayres (dis) "
- Mrs. Lucinda S. Holden @ by letter from Westford.
- May 1st 1870 Lucy Ann Perley on profession
- Sarah Hood " "
- Lizzie Ann Foster " "
- @ — — Mary E. S. Barnes (dis) Wifes of Wm S. Barnes
- July 3rd 1870 Mrs. Elizabeth H. Seymour x Letter (in Augusta Me.)
- May 4th 1873 John Newton Cole on profession
- Sept 7th — Mrs. Anna P. Cleveland by letter from
1st Ch in Cambridge

Admissions to the Church

Nov. 2 nd 1873	Mrs. Eunice B. (Riley) Averill (by letter of John W. Brown)		
— — —	* Mrs. Lois Holt Killam (by profession)		
— — —	Lucy E. Lowe	"	"
— — —	Sarah E. Hooper	"	"
— — —	Ellen M. Hale	"	"
1874			
Jan. 4 th	James P. Cleveland	"	"
	Frank Ayres	"	"
	Mrs. — Ayres	"	"
	Wm H. Kimball	"	"
	Mrs. —	"	"
	Mrs. Solomon Lowe	"	"
	James Kenneth	"	"
	Minot Killam	"	"
	Mrs. Wm E. Killam	"	"
	Wm W. Howe	"	"
	B. Frank Barnes	"	"
	Hariett Parkhurst	"	"
(a)	Caroline Conant	"	"
	Louisa Emerson	"	"
March 1 st	Carrie B. Killam	"	"
	Eliza J. Twissden	"	"
	James H. Howe	"	"
May 3 rd	Mrs. Abigail Brown.	"	"

July a severe storm prevented the appearance of three, profounded.

Sept. 6 th	1874	Charlotte B. Frye	(by Profession)
		Frances E. Killam	" "
		Margaret A. Howe	" "
May 2 nd	1875	Leander Hiram Cheney	" "
		Frank L. Parkhurst	" "
May 7.	1876	Lydia D. Moulton	by Letter
		from Ch. of Sea & Land (Presbyterian), New York.	
July 2	—	Mary K. Brewster	by Profession
Nov. 5	—	Mrs. Wm. Matthews	" "
July 1.	1877	Susan M. Sawyer	" "
		Flurence Jones	" "
		Abby M. Bixby	" "
		Mary J. Covey	" "
		Willie R. Conant	" "
Sept. 2, 1877		Mrs. Lucy Ann French	" "
		Arin L. Loune	" "
		Hiram Loune	" "
		John Willie Parkhurst	" "
Jan 6. 1878		Sarah E. Howe	" "
		Eliza E. Howe	" "
May 5 th	—	@ Frank K. Black	" "
		Mrs. Sarah A. Killam	" "
		" Abby P. Elliott.	" "
Dec. 28, '79		" Andrew French	by Letter from Middleton

Oct 21. 1880. Rev. Wm. S. Coggin, formerly pastor,
was admitted ^{by vote} as a member of the First Church
in Boxford by letter of recommendation from the
First Congregational Church in Taubertury, Mass.

Feb 6. 1881

Rev. Leonard Groun & wife, Lynden, Ct., were admitted by
vote as members of this church on a letter of recommendation
from the 1st Church in Bethel Me.

Mr. Scott's acceptance continued from page 74

After a prayerful consideration of my situation will I
be convinced that it will have me recognize His voice in
your invitation, and I hereby formally accept your call
as extended. I could wish as you do that it were
possible to offer me a larger salary. But if you shall
contribute richly unto me in that spiritual cooperation
which will be very largely the measure of our success in
the Lord's work. I shall be more than satisfied. Indeed
the certainty with which you have already listened to my
speaking and welcomed me to your homes makes me
hope that the Holy Spirit may be pleased to bless you
and make you very fruitful through such suggestions
as He shall call forth from my lips - of clay.

I shall be glad at an early date, to consult concerning
a Council which may advise and act for us in
the premises.

Yours brother and fellow laborer
Wm P. Scott

At Chelmsford, Mass.

Feb 5. 1881

A true copy

Attest Anne Dorman

Clerk of 1st Church

(Copied in New Book)

Concurrence of Parish in the call to Rev Wm L. Elliott

at a legal meeting of the members of the First Church in
Boxford held Jan. 26. 1881

Chose J. P. Cleaveland Moderator.

Noted In union with the Church in extending a call to
the Rev Wm L. Elliott to become our Pastor and
holding a Teacher.

Noted To give him \$400 per year also the use of the Parsonage
and 3 Sabbaths vacation per year

Noted That either party Pastor or Parish may sever the
connection by giving two months notice.

Noted To have a committee of three to see and act
with the committee chosen by the Church in
regard to extending the call to Rev Wm L. Elliott, and
if he accepts they are to attend to his settlement.

Chose The following gentlemen a committee
A. Dorman Wm P. Cleaveland & J. P. Cleaveland.

At home copy attest

B. S. Barnes

Church Clerk

At true copy attest

David Dorman

Clerk of the Ch. Boxford

(Typed in new form)

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Baptisms.

- May 5th 1839. George Foster Cressy - (Adult) on profession of faith
 " " William Atherton - " "
 " " Betsy Atherton - " "
 June 2nd 1839 Sarah Augusta - Daughter of Samuel Adams.
 July 7th 1839 Sarah Adams - (Adult) on profession of faith
 " " Elizabeth Wells - " "
 July 14th 1839, Parker Shafford - son of Josiah Kimball.
 Sept 1st 1839. Mary Butler - (Adult) on profession of faith
 " " Lucy P. Fuller - " "
 " " Elizabeth M. Wells - " "
 " " John Philler - " "
 " " (Olsonso Joshua Hubbard - Dec 3rd 1845) "
 August 23rd 1840. Asa Torone - son of Oliver T. Peabody
 " " Susan Hanson - Daughter of Samuel Adams
 Novem - 1840. Martha Jane - Daughter of Daniel Gould
 July 4th 1841. Abby Kellen - Daughter of Jacob Coggin, Jr.
 Sept 5th 1841. Rachel Atherton - (Adult) on profession of faith
 August 7th 1842. Josiah Coatts - son of Josiah Kimball
 Oct. 16th 1842. George Kimball - son of Rev. Samuel Lamsan
 Novem. 6th 1842. Lydia P. Philler - (Adult) on profession of faith
 " " Mary Jane Philler - " "
 March 12th 1843. Mary Hamitt - Daughter of Jacob Coggin, Jr.
 May 7th 1843. Mrs. Appleton Rowe - (Adult) on profession of faith
 July 2nd 1843. Samuel Bisby - (Adult) "

Baptisms.

July 2nd. 1843. { Sarah Ellen
Samuel Johnson
Stephen Augustus. } Children of Samuel Bixby.
George Loring
Rebecca Kimball
Mary Peabody

July 2nd. 1843. { Jefferson Kimball
Abby Rebecca } - Children of John Gale.

July 2nd. 1843. Lydia Kellen - Daughter of Daniel Gould.
Sept. 10th. 1843 John - son of John Sawyer.
Novem. 5th. 1843 John - Grandson of John Gould.

Novem 19th. 1843 { Elizabeth Matilda
George Berill Cheever } - Children of Calvin Smith.
Mary Discilla
Joseph Henry Larison

June 23rd. 1844. Sarah Cordelia - Daughter of Abram T. Pierce.
August 25th. 1844. Mary Abby - Daughter of Josiah Kimball.
" " Frederic Augustus - son of Mrs. A. Rowe.
July 6th. 1845. Harriett Emily - Daughter of Samuel Bixby.
" " Mary Ellen - Daughter of John H. Ware.
Sept. 7th. 1845. William Wallace - Son of James M. Peabody.
Sept. 2nd. 1845. Samuel Linsden - Son of John Sawyer.
July 12th. 1845. Abby Maria - Daughter of Samuel Bixby.

Baptisms.

- Sept. 24th 1848. Anna Elizabeth - Daughter of John Sawyer.
 Jan. 7th 1849. Sophronia Rupp - (Adult) on profession of faith
 " " Olive Gould - " "
 June 17th 1849. Rachel Helen - Daughter of Richard F. Gurley.
 " " Emily - Daughter of William A. Howe.
 May 5th 1850. Maria Franklin Peabody - (Adult) on profession of faith
 Jan. 1851. Moses Rey Russ - Adult. " "
 " " Harriet Anne Towne " "
 " " Sarah Jane Perley " "
 " " Harriett Spiller " "
 " " Harriett Newell Spiller " "
 " " Emily Augusta Bunker " "
 " " Sarah Elizabeth Kimball " "
 " " Mary Anne Kimball " "
 " " Julia Anne Atherton " "
 May 4th 1851. Julia Maria Perkins - Adult " "
 Sept 7th 1851. Hannah Lemantia McGregor - Adult " "
 " " Mary Jane Peabody - " "
 " " Anna Susan - Daughter of Jacob Coggin, Jr.
 July 4th 1852. Hannah Hale Dorman - (Adult) on profession of faith

(Mary Elizabeth)
 (Samuel Horace)
 (Joseph Warren)
 (William Herrick)
 (Caroline Bartlett)

July 10th 1853. } Children of Samuel Hillman

Baptisms.

- Aug. 13th. 1854. Margaret - Daughter of Mr. A. Howe.
Nov. 5th. 1854. Edward Choate - Son of Richard F. Gurley
July 1st. 1855. Mary - Daughter of John Sawyer.
Sept. 2nd. 1855. Isaac Hale - (Adult) on profession of faith
" " Margaret Hale - " "
" " Margaret Rogers Strout - Adult
" " Phineas Spofford - Son of Samuel Killam
July 6th. 1856. Samuel Friend, & William Bailey - twin children of John Hale Jr.
Nov. 21st. 1856. George Porter - Son of Andrew Frame
May 3rd. 1857. Amos Foster - Son of Samuel Killam.
Sept. 6th. 1857. John Weston - Son of Dea. John Cole.
Jan 3rd. 1858. Hannah Gurley - (Adult) on profession of faith
July 4th. 1858. Daniel Gould " "
" " John Hale " "
" " Matilda Ann Hale " "
" " John Hale, Jr. " "
" " William Hale " "
" " Harriett Mchitable Hale " "
" " Harrison Hale " "
" " Isaac Hale, Jr. " "
" " Matilda Ann Corant " "
" " Ancile Dorman " "
" " Richard Foster Gurley " "
" " Sarah Rebecca Barnes " "
" " Dorcas Ellen Barnes " "
" " Harriett Maria Barnes " "

Baptisms.

July 4th, 1858. Elizabeth Davis Killam (Adult) on profession of faith
 " " Charles Warren Killam " "
 " " Eliza Killam " "
 " " Mary Anna Batchelder " "
 " " Ellen Agnes Batchelder " "
 " " Mary Peabody Batchelder " "
 " " Salmon Warren Lowe " "
 " " Ellen Almira Wells " "
 " " Elizabeth Ann Twisden " "
 " " Joseph Huntington Jones " "
 " " Hilda Elizabeth Jones " "
 " " Almira Adams " "
 " " William Sawyer " "
 " " Henry Jefferson Kimball " "

July 18th, 1858. { Harriett Isabel } Children of Joseph Perkins
 { Fanny Jane }
 { Charles Albert }

" " { Eva Louise } Children of Phineas M. Barnes
 { Arthur Ward }

" " Caroline Bartlett - Daughter of George B. Killam
 " " Clarence Howard - Son of John Hale, Jr.
 " " Carrie May - Daughter of Daniel W. Conant

Baptisms.

- Sept. 5th 1858. Jefferson Kimball (Adult on profession of faith)
- " " Mary Griffin Kimball " "
- " " Sophia Bridgman Sawyer " "
- " " Electra Huntington Mead " "
- " " Lydia Anna Faulkner Gould " "
- " " John Hazen Brown " "
- Sept. 19th 1858. Abby May - Daughter of Joseph Perkins.
- Jan. 2nd 1859. Mary Elizabeth Greenleaf Lorman (Adult on profession of faith)
- " " Elizabeth Georgiana Lorman " "
- July 10th 1859. George Edwin - son of George B. Killam.
- " " Frances Ellen - Daughter of Samuel Killam.
- Sept. 2nd 1860. John James (Adult on profession of faith)
- " " Lucretia Manson James " "
- " " Sarah Sawyer Hale " "
- " " Fidelia Berry Averill " "
- Sept. 12th 1861. Judith Cummings " "
- Sept 7th 1862. Charles Holt & Franklin Webster } Children of Samuel Killam
- " " Althea Curtis - Daughter of George B. Killam
- Oct. 5th 1862. Helen Orissa - Daughter of Andrew Frame
- Jan. 4th 1863. Mary Jane Dale (On profession of faith)
- " " Lizzie Fry " "
- " " Charles Alfred Barnes " "
- " " William Foster Sawyer " "
- " " Thomas Killam Sawyer " "
- " " Charles Loomis Cogger " "

By Rev. S. D. Emmell

May 2nd 1869 Mary Ellen Berley (On profession)
Anna Dancy Babcock " "
Susan Emma Killem " "
Sarah Jane Lumsden " "
Sept. 5th '69 Susie M. Lyne " "
Lizzie J. Ayres " "

Dec. 14th 1869 at a social gathering at the Parsonage
David Weston son of Rev. S. D. Emmell
Emma Estelle } children of Wm. A. Weston
Julius Palmer }
Nettie Abbie daughter of Sam'l Killem.

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July 2nd 1871 Daniel Austin, son of David & Ann Conant.
" " " (Charles Augustus) } children of Stephen and Rose
John Ellen, } Bixby.

* May 1st 1870 Lucy Ann Berley (On profession)
" " Sarah Hood " "
" " Lizzie Ann Foster " "
" " Mary E. S. Barnes " "

May 25 1873 John Gammell, infant son of the pastor.

Nov. 2^d 1873 Lucy E. Towne (On profession of faith)
Sarah E. Hooper " " "
Ellen Hale " " "

1874 Jan. 4th

James V. Cleveland (Con. Professor) Keith
 Frank Ayres " "
 Wm. H. Kimball " "
 Annie (Howe) Lowe " "
 James Kennette " "
 Minot Killam " "
 Elizabeth (Mrs. Wm. E.) Killam " "
 Wm. W. Howe " "
 B. Frank Barnes " "
 Harriet Parkhurst " "
 Louisa Emerson " "

March 1st 1874~~Carrie B. Killam~~ " "

Eliza J. Twissden " "

James H. Howe " "

May 3rd 1874

Abigail Brown " "

Sept. 6

Charlotte B. Frye " "

— —

Margaret A. Howe " "

May 2nd 1875

Leander H. Cheney " "

— —

Frank L. Parkhurst " "

Aug 29th —

Benjamin Spofford Barnes in/out

Oct. 1st 1876

son of Louis and Sarah (Barnes) Barnes.

Sarah Weir Matthews } Children of
 Charlotte Bunte Matthews } William and
 Joseph Bernard Matthews } Catherine M.

June 3rd '77

Lucy Hunt Gamble (Pastor's daughter Smos)

Frank Emery Ayres } Children of Frank

Arthur Ayres } and Mary Ayres

Lillie Kimball } Children of Wm.

Mabel " } H. Kimball

Carrie " }

July 17, 1877	Arthur Thomas, son of Chas. Loomis	By Rev. Wm S. Aggins.
		(On Profession of Faith)
July 1, 1877	Susan M. Sawyer	" " " "
	Florence Jones	" " " "
Sept. 2 nd —	Mrs. Lucy Ann French	" " " "
	Ann L. Lounie	" " " "
	Hiram Lounie	" " " "
	J. Willie Parkhurst	" " " "
Nov 6, 1878	Sarah E. Howe	" " " "
	Eliza E. Howe	" " " "
May 5 —	Frank K. Black	" " " "
	Mrs. Sarah A. Killam	" " " "
	" abby P. Elliott	" " " "
Sept. 21, 79	Thomas Louis	infant son of Louis & Sarah Barnes.

Deaths.

- May-1838. An infant child of John Peabody, aged 4 weeks
 Aug. 5th 1838. Samuel Killam - Son of Mrs H. Kenick
 Novem 14th 1838. Stephen Symonds, Esq, aged 30.
 Decem 1st 1838. Miss Maria Symonds, aged 32.
 Feb. 3rd 1839. Mrs Kaldah - wife of Mass Dorman, Jr. aged 32.
 May 28th 1839. Samuel Killam, aged 50.
 Sept 5th 1839. Widow Abigail Shofford, aged 94. (S. 21)
 Sept. 9th 1839. Leonard Sugrue, Son of Leonard Perley, aged 9 months
 Novem 25th 1839. Mrs Gunnison, Jr. aged 26
 Dec. 10th 1839. Mary Ann Gunnison, aged 20.
 Dec. 14th 1839. Widow Woodbridge
 March 12th 1840. Mrs Perley - wife of Jesse Perley, aged 88.
 April 8th 1840. Widow Timothy Dorman, aged 79.
 May 18th 1840. Widow Towne, Mother of Mrs Oliver T. Peabody, aged 74
 Oct 29 1840. Miss Nancy Kenick, aged 77
 Jan. 20th 1841. Charles Duper, aged 19.
 Feb. 8th 1841. Mrs Sarah, wife of Samuel Adams, aged 28.
 May 29th 1841. Mrs Bixby, wife of Charles Bixby, aged 49
 Novem 14th 1841. Mr Henry Perley, aged 57
 Dec. 29th 1841. Mr Hopfield Gould, aged 44
 April 27th 1842. Miss Martha Symonds, aged 27
 Novem. 8th 1842. Mrs Mary Ann, wife of Edward Howe, aged 28.
 " " Miss Hannah Towne, aged 33.
 August - 1842. Widow Maria Smith. Relic of Jos Smith
 June 3rd 1843. Miss Kaldah Perley, aged 36.
 June 30th 1843. Mr Mass Gould of Baltimore, aged 43.
 Sept 3rd 1843. Miss Elizabeth Dorman, aged 70.

Deaths.

- Oct. 1st 1843. Miss Rebecca Smith, aged 79.
 Novem 8th 1843. Harriett, infant child of Mrs Lowe.
 Dec. 28th 1843. Widow Anna Peabody, aged 78.
 Jan 24th 1844. Mr Andrew Gould
 June 17th 1844. Mr Nathan Andrews, aged 89.
 Sept. 18-4. An infant child of Leonard Perley.
 Oct. 5th 1844. Mr Enos Lake aged 88.
 Oct. 25th 1844. Miss Lucinda Chubb, aged 23.
 Oct. 28th 1844. Widow Henry Perley, aged 81.
 Jan. 18th 1845. Widow Nathan Peabody aged 70.
 June 3th 1845. Widow Moses Gould aged 74.
 July 2nd 1845. Mrs Peabody Russell aged 59.
 July 8th 1845. An infant son of Asa Andrews, aged 2 years.
 Sept 23 1845. Mr Asa Perley died at Charlestown, aged 52.
 Novem-1845. Widow Nathan Andrews aged 84.
 Novem-1845. Mr Onell Peabody died at Boston, aged 42.
 Feb - 1845. Mr Phineas Foster, aged 81.
 April 23th 1846. Mr Jesse Perley, aged 84.
 April 30th 1845. Miss Elizabeth Bacon aged 74.
 June 11th 1846. George Lovett son of George Kimball, aged 3.
 June 14th 1846. Infant child of a Mr Holt.
 June 5th 1846. Mrs Anne Thoe of Nathaniel Benson, aged 62.
 July 1st 1846. Edward Holgate, aged 74.
 July 17th 1846. Mrs Bixby aged 19 son of Mr Charles Bixby.
 Aug. 15th 1846. Peabody Russell, aged 56.
 Aug. 20th Charles Henry Bixby, aged 5. - children of Daniel Bixby.
 Aug. 2nd Daniel Austin Bixby, aged 3. - children of Daniel Bixby.
 Sept. 8th 1846. Mr Johnson Savage, aged 50.

Deaths

- Sept. 2nd. 1845. An infant child of the Widow Mary Savage.
 Oct. 20th. 1845. Mrs. Elizabeth Dorman, aged 71.
 Oct. 2nd. 1845. Mr. William Tufts, aged 28.
 Novem. 11th. 1845. Widow Jacob Smith, aged 94.
 Novem. 21st. 1845. Miss Sarah Symonds, aged 72.
 Novem. 27th. 1845. William Wallace, aged twenty one months, Son of Mr. J. M. Peabody.
 Dec. 3rd. 1845. Widow Sarah Warren, aged 79.
 Dec. 12th. 1845. An infant child of a few days old, of the Widow Mrs. Tufts.
 Dec. 24th. 1845. Widow Rachel Averill, aged 66.
 Dec. 25th. 1845. Sarah Elizabeth an infant daughter of Mr. J. Sawyer.
 Jan. 2nd. 1847. Walter Kimball, aged nine months, Son of Mr. J. M. Peabody.
 March 13th. 1847. Horace Clifton, aged two years, Son of the Widow Mrs. Tufts.
 March 23rd. 1847. Mrs. Phelps, wife of Mr. J. M. Peabody, aged 31.
 April 29th. 1847. Widow Samuel Kimball, aged 79.
 June 25th. 1847. Joseph Henry, son of Mr. Calvin Smith, aged 6 years.
 July 10th. 1847. Mrs. Mary Ann, wife of Mr. Daniel Gould Jr., aged 2.
 July 16th. 1847. A Mrs. Ingalls from Topsfield, aged 25.
 Aug. 13th. 1847. An infant daughter of Samuel P. Russell of Lowell.
 Dec. 30th. 1847. Widow Mary Curtis, aged 73.
 May 27th. 1848. Samuel Riley, aged 78.
 July - 1848. Mrs. Francis an infant son of Samuel Tufts.
 Aug. 30th. 1848. Mrs. Phoebe P. wife of James German Jr. Esq., aged 31.
 Aug. - 1848. An infant child of Mr. Voyet.
 Sept. 6th. 1848. Mary Jane Miller, aged 18.
 Sept. 20th. 1848. Matilda, daughter of John Peabody, aged 2½ years.
 Oct. 17th. 1848. Mrs. Miranda, wife of Samuel Tufts, aged 21.
 May - 1848. Widow Asa Foster, aged 80.
 - 1848. Mr. Chadwick at the Alms-house
 - 1848. Mr. Kimball " "
 - 1848. Mr. Sessions " "

Deaths.

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- Novem. 1848. Widow Samuel Perley, aged 76.
Jan. 1849. David Bixby, aged 87.
March 1849. George Jewett, aged 46.
April 1849. Abigail Webb of Beverly, aged 37.
May 1st 1849. William Webb infant son of Mr Richard Foster.
July 5th 1849. Widow Betsy Long, aged 88.
Aug. 16th 1849. An infant son of Mr. Bly, aged 17 months.
Sept. 1st 1849. Samuel James, son of Asa Andrews, aged 8 years.
Sept. 25th 1849. Nathaniel L. infant son of Mr. L. S. Howe, aged 3 months.
Oct. 11th 1849. John Henry, infant son of Mr. L. S. Howe, aged 4 months.
Novem. 30, 1849. Mrs Elizabeth M. Russell of Lowell, aged 24 years.
Dec. 25th 1849. Emily, infant daughter of Mr Wm. A. Howe, aged 10 months.
Feb. 9th 1850. Sarah Kimball at the Almshouse, aged 45 years.
Feb. 13th 1850. Moses Dorman Esq. aged 84 years.
Feb. 20th 1850. Widow - Kimball at the Almshouse.
Feb. 23^d 1850. Oliver Peabody, aged 75 years.
March 17th 1850. John Bentley, aged 3 years, son of Mr James Steele.
March 27th 1850. Mrs Mary, wife of Mr Samuel Kilant, aged 31 years.
Sept. 20th 1850. Widow Lucy Tufts, aged 29.
Sept. 27th 1850. Mrs Spiller, wife of Nathaniel Spiller, aged 52.
Oct. 22nd 1850. Mrs Sarah Barnes, aged 64.
Aug. 24th 1851. Mrs Nancy, wife of Major Samuel Perley, aged 60.
Sept. 1851. Smith at the Almshouse
July - 1851. Mr Seth Stetson
Sept. 5th 1851. An infant child of Mr Charles Foster
Novem - 1851. Mr Hovey at the Almshouse
Novem. 20th 1851. Mr Jesse Perley, aged 50.
Dec. 7th 1851. Lucy Tufts, infant daughter of Mr Moulton
Feb. 28th 1852. Miss Betsy Berry, aged 55.
March 1st 1852. Mrs Hannah, wife of Mr Jacob Towne, aged 68.

Deaths.

- March 22nd 1852. Capt. D. W. D. F. Hood, aged 54.
Aug. 8th. 1852. William K. Barnes, son of Mr Phineas K. Barnes, aged 5 years.
Sept. 9th. 1852. Widow Lydia Hobbs, aged 82.
Sept. 11th. 1852. Louiza Maren, aged 55.
Oct. 21st. 1852. Hiram Gould, aged -
Nov. 29th. 1852. Benjamin, son of Calvin Smith, aged 7 months.
Jan. 4th. 1853. William Arthur, son of Calvin Smith, aged 8 years.
Feb. 1st. 1853. Capt. Jacob Batchelder, aged 73.
Feb. 8th. 1853. Samuel Kimball, infant son of Rev. Samuel Lamson.
March 15th. 1853. Widow Mchitable Perley, aged 91.
April 25th. 1853. Adam Andrews, aged 22.
June 15th. 1853. Miss Betsy Foster, aged 75.
" " Mrs Louiza wife of Asa Andrews, aged 45.
Aug. 9th. 1853. Frances, daughter of Charles Foster, aged 9.
Sept. 17th. 1853. Capt. Jacob Towne, aged 73.
Oct. 13th. 1853. Mr John Dreper at the Alms-house, aged 83.
Aug. - 1853. Mr Andrew Berry of Middleton.
Nov. 12th. 1853. Kelly May, daughter of Mr Samuel N. Ayers, aged 6 months.
Jan. 22nd. 1854. Mr Jonathan F. Rea, aged 70.
Feb. 3^d. 1854. Zelotes Franklin, son of Mr Tobias Guley.
Feb. 23^d. 1854. Miss Sarah Bacon, aged 39.
April 5th. 1854. Miss Nancy Peabody, aged 57.
June 2^d. 1854. Mrs Rea, widow of Jonathan F. Rea, aged 79.
July 3^d. 1854. Mr Francis Hood, aged 73.
July 5th. 1854. Mrs Elizabeth L. wife of John Wells, aged 41.
July 22^d. 1854. Mrs. Mary, wife of John Bently, aged 64.
Sept. 21st. 1854. Mrs. Dorcas, wife of Henry Atherton, aged 37.
Oct. 1854. Mr Levi Fish, aged 73.
Nov. 28th. 1854. Leonard Augustus, son of John Wells, aged 5 months.

Deaths.

- Dec. 10th. 1854. Mrs Sarah Perley, aged 90
Dec. 17th. 1854. An Englishman of small-pox, at Mr Bentley's.
March 15th. 1855. Mrs Elizabeth Brodstreet, aged 83.
" 22nd " Jonathan Bacon M. D. aged 67.
" 13th " George W. Sawyer M. D. aged 85.
April 9th. 1855. Mrs Sarah Reynolds, aged 77.
" 12th " Mrs Betsey C. wife of Mr Wm Gurney, aged 68.
June 6th. 1855. Mr Daniel Wells, aged 52.
July 26th. 1855. Mrs Martha, wife of Gen. Solomon Lowe, aged 50.
Jan. 18th. 1856. Capt. Thomas Perley, aged 59.
May 4th. 1856. Mr Phineas Barnes, aged 75.
Aug. 29th. 1856. Mr. Thomas Mead, aged 29.
Sept. 25th. 1856. Samuel Friend & William Bailey, twin children
of John Hale Jr. aged 11 months.
Sept. 28th. 1856. Annie May, child of Mr. Daniel Comant.
Nov. 1st. 1856. Arthur Osgood, child of Mr. Osgood Hale Jr.
Nov. 12th. 1856. Jacob Rabody Esq. aged 78.
Jan. 19th. 1857. Mrs. Hannah B. wife of Samuel Trisden, Jr.
Feb. 25th. 1857. Caroline Bartlett, daughter of Mr. Samuel Hillam
April 28th. 1857. Miss. Caroline Holyoke, aged 60.
May 20th. 1857. Arthur Gould, child of Mr. Joseph James.
June 7th. 1857. Nathan C. Lamson, aged 17.
Nov. 11th. 1857. Miss. Lydia Perley aged 44.
Nov. 16th. 1857. Mr. Leonard Perley aged 57
Dec. 10th. 1857. Arthur Osgood infant son of Mr. Osgood Hale Jr.
Dec. 18th. 1857. Samuel Kidder only son of Rev. Wm L. & Mary C. Cogges, aged 9
Dec. 22nd. 1857. Mr. John Dresser, aged 32.
Feb. 1st. 1858. Mr. Pliny Blanchard aged 63
March 18th. 1858. Mrs. Sarah, wife of Mr. Joseph Tyler, aged 75.

Deaths.

March 21st ¹⁸⁵⁸ Mr. William Gunnison
 March 24th 1858 Widow Lett Stetson
 Oct. 24th 1858. Capt. Samuel Towne, aged 75.
 Dec. 21st 1858. Mr. William H. Herick aged 52.
 April 14th 1859. Mrs. Rebecca L. wife of Amos Berry, aged 48.
 Aug. 6th 1859. Sewett Saltonstall, son of L. S. Hoove, aged one year & a few months.

Jan. 1860. Mr. Osgood Dale, aged 59.
 March. 30th 1860. John Parker, son of widow Lydia Dresser, aged 2.
 April 18, 1860. Mr. Sylvester Cummings, aged 67.
 " 21st " Mrs. Sarah, wife Joseph Tyler, aged 72.
 June 29th 1860. Edward Haren, son of Henry Towne, aged 7.
 July 29th 1860. Charles Joseph, son of Cornelius Pearson, aged 13.
 " 30th " Nathan Appleton, son of Cornelius Pearson, aged 3.
 Aug. 4th 1860. Annie daughter of Cornelius Pearson, aged 9.
 Aug. 8th 1860. Miss Helen B. Pearson, aged 32.
 Aug. 10th 1860. Edward son of Cornelius Pearson, aged 11.
 Aug. 17th " Albert G. son of Cornelius Pearson, aged 7.
 Sept. 17th " Mrs. Mary Jane, wife of Samuel P. Nobody, aged 31.
 Sept. 27th " Mrs. Polly Sawyer, widow of Dr. George^W Sawyer, aged 88.
 March 9th 1861. Mr. John Chapman, aged 91.
 March 28th 1861. Mr. Asa Styles, aged 81.

1861. Mr. Daniel T. Gould
 Sept. 20th 1861. Justin Allen infant son of Richard F. Gurley, aged 2 weeks.
 Oct. 22^d 1861. Widow Berry, aged 77.
 Nov. 25th 1861. Mr. Otis Atherton, aged 75.
 Feb. 11th 1862. Mrs. Tyler wife of Mr. Wm Tyler

Deaths.

Aug. 3rd. 1855. Samuel A. son of Samuel Gale, aged 14 months
 Oct. 11th. 1855. Mr. William Freeman, aged 84.
 Dec. 5th. 1855. Miss Hannah Moodyoke, aged 91.

Aug. 17th. 1867. Mr. William Tyler, aged 73.

May 19th. 1868. Mrs. Mary Kimball, aged 66.

" 20th " Mr. Andrew Perry " 55.

Sept. 11th " Mr. David Bacon " 78

" 22nd " Mr. William Brown " 78

Oct. 29th " Wid. Moses R. Rust "

" " " Miss Esther Andrewes " 73

— " " Son of Geo. Smith " 2

Jan. 1st. 1869 Mr. Samuel Harris " 81

Feb. 6. " Widow Mary Cross (Wife of " 79

" 9th " " Hannah Sumner " 76

" 11th " " " " 84

" 14th " " " " 29

March 2nd " " " " 68

Feb. 28th " " " " 6 weeks

March 8th " " " " 49

" 18th " " " " 54

Apr. 23rd " " " " 7

Aug. — " " " " 30

July 14 " " " " 80

Sept 21 " " " " 64

Deaths

Sept. 69.	Eben Gould's child at Sea Farm	2.
~~Nov. 17~~ 20 th 89	Wid. Jn Sawyer	90.

May 10. 1870	Charles dees	64
" 9 "	Maj. Rust	74
Aug 4 th "	Abraham Pierce	82
" 8 th "	Wm Lowe	63
Sept 3 rd "	Mehitable Andrewes	82.

Feb. 24 1871	Mrs. Saml Zwiers	60
June 24 —	Mrs. Jacob Botchelder	91
Sept 20 —	Mrs. Mortimer	65
" 16 —	Mr. Abijah Howe	80
—	Rebecca Cleveland	2
Nov. 10 th	Mrs Ste. Bixby	27
—	Mrs. Goodale	70
Dec. 25 th	Laura Dresher	70

Jan 3. 1872	Mr. Goodell	73
Feb. 1 st —	Mrs. Garwin	92
" 10 th —	Wm Keale Cleveland	74
March 15 —	Geo. Julius A. Palmer	69
Apr —	Mrs. Jennie (Leroy) Wilkins	23
May 14 th —	Mr. Blye	60
June 21,	Bertie Sawyer (by drowning)	7
Aug.	Olive Gould	70
Oct 9.	Augustus Hayward	65

March 1873	Mrs. Edward Sumner	26
Aug. 31 —	Charley Keith	15
July	Mrs. Sam'l Ayres	56
Sept 9 th	Mrs. ^{William} ~~Sam'l~~ Gurley	78
Feb. 27, 1874	Mrs. Lois H. Killen	86
May 21 —	Mrs. Arrington	58 ~~60(?)~~
Apr. 13 —	Mrs. Matthews	60(?)
June 1 st —	Mrs. Sam'l Perley	83-7-23
" 16 th —	Mrs. John Peabody	65
Aug. 11 —	" John R. Webster	65-6
Dec. 29 th —	H. W. Frye.	2-6
March 13 1875	Mrs. Edward Batchelder	40(?)
June 8 th —	" D. Killen	82
July —	Den'l West	68
Aug 29 th —	John Killen	7. 6 mos
" 30 th —	John S. Seyward	69
Oct. 26	Isaac Hale	62
Dec. 24	Chas. Gurley	21
Jan. 5, 1876	Mrs. Sarah Johnson (at Lawrence)	95. 10 mos
Feb. 21	Albert Perley	66
Sept. 2	Mrs Charlotte Zoune	89
Nov. 20	— Sam'l Ayres	55
Dec. 16	Abner Howe	60
Feb. 19. 1877	Amos Stevens	64
Apr. 17	Thomas P. Dorman	30
— 21	Albert Perley	32
May 13	Henry Newhall's child	1 month
July 23	Moses Dorman	73
Aug. 8	Lucy Cleveland	15

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1880

March 23
Apr. 6

— 12

Nov 13th

June 19th

Sept 5

1881

April 20

July 13

June 2

1882

Jan 7th

1884

1886

Nov 17

1888

Mar 7

" 14

1889

Mar 14

Nov 28

Deaths

Deacon Ebenezer Dorman

Edw. George ^{Scitmore} Fisher Fair

Nancy Elizabeth (Wesley) Dorn

George Parley Esq

Mary H. Widow of Moses Dorman Esq

Deacon Samuel Bixby

Mrs Albert Brown

Mrs John Hale

Mrs Daniel Gould.

Mrs Daniel Andrews

Mrs Lucill Dorman.

John Hale

Daniel Gould

Mrs Lucill Dorman.

Lucy Parley

83
75
82
79
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1890

Feb 5 Richard Furber

Feb 1 Lucy Smith

Nov 8 Albert Smith

1892

Mar 2 Mrs Peter Strobel

July 3 " Joseph Breide

Dec 24 James Bloomer

1835 Marriages by Rev. John Whitney.

May 19 th	Rev. Joshua Emery Miss Harriet Peabody	of Beyford
June 24	Wm Zeller Mary S. Dummer	"
Sept. 28	Jos. S. Dummer Mary P. Peabody	Beyford
Oct. 27	John Rogers Sarah Spiller	Rowley
1836		
March 3 ^d	Wm Lowe Lucinda Warren	Beyford
Sept. 6 th	Samuel Lancaster Esq. Adeline S. Samuels	Agusta
Sept. 8 th	Amos Berry Lehe-ue S. Towne	Andover
Oct. 20	Geo. W. Hood Louisa Perley	Beyford
1837		
March 9 th	John R. Cole Mary S. Towne	Beyford
Apr. 12 th	Samuel Peabody Mary P. Spofford	"

Marriages.

- July 2nd 1835. Mr Joseph Peabody 2nd of Middleton & Miss Mary W. Johnson of Buxford.
- Novem 5th 1837. Mr Mass Dorman Jr, & Miss Phoebe Peley - both of Buxford.
- Dec. 5th 1837. Mr Jesse R. Kimball of Andover, & Miss Lydia Barnes of Buxford.
- Jan. 23rd 1840. Mr Albert Peley, & Miss Hannah Hayward - both of Buxford.
- May 28th 1840. Mr Andrew P. Averill of Middleton, & Miss Elizabeth Russel of Buxford.
- Novem. 5th 1840. Mr Benjamin L. Barnes of Buxford, & Miss Dorcas F. Kimball of Salem.
- Novem. 27th 1840. Mr Charles H. Lane of Gloucester, & Miss Eliza Gould of Buxford.
- May 6th 1841. Mr John Curtis, & Miss Elathier Killam - both of Buxford.
- Sept. 2nd 1841. Mr Samuel Killam, & Miss Mary R. Trane - both of Buxford.
- Sept 9th 1841. Mr Thos. Pickett, & Miss Rebecca Barnes both of Buxford.
- Oct. 28th 1841. Mr Henry Atterton of Fitchburg, & Miss Dorcas Draper of Buxford.
- Dec. 28th 1841. Mr Edward Rowe, & Miss Mary Ann Lowe - both of Buxford.
- April 6th 1842. Mr Amos Stevens of Buxford, & Miss Rebecca Jones of Wilmington.

Marriages.

- April 14th 1842. Mr. Nathaniel Smith, & Miss Mchitabel, M. L. Peice
bath of Buxford.
- May 4th 1842. Mr Henry Long of Topsfield, & Miss Catherine
Perley of Buxford.
- May 5th 1842. Mr ~~Thos~~ Tugt, & Miss Lucy Towne bath of
Buxford.
- Sept 7th 1842. Mr Richard H. Foster of Buxford, & Miss Elizabeth
Webb of Beverly.
- Oct. 2nd 1842. Mr Willard H. Davis of Buxford, & Miss Hannah
M. Top of Georgetown.
- Dec. 14th 1842. Mr Orr J. Kane & Miss Adeline Wason - bath
of Buxford.
- Jan. 19th 1843. Mr Daniel Russel, & Miss Harriet W. Foster - bath
of Buxford.
- May 4th 1843. Mr John G. Johnson, & Miss Sarah V. Campbell -
bath of Buxford.
- Aug. 2nd 1843. Mr Thomas Matheres of Salem, & Miss Angelina
Kellam of Buxford.
- Novem. 1st 1843. Mr Jedediah Tarnham, & Miss Elizabeth R.
Perley - bath of Buxford.
- Dec. 7th 1843. Mr Mrs A. Garley, & Miss Hannah Atherton - bath
of Buxford.
- Dec. 25th 1843. Mr George W. Rust, & Mrs Eunice Rogers - bath
of Buxford.
- March 2nd 1844. Mr John W. Towne, & Miss Harriet A. Bunker
bath of Buxford.

Marriages.

- April 4th, 1844. Mr Hiram Lerley & Miss Ruth Ann Smith -
both of Buxford.
- May 23rd, 1844. Mr James M. Peabody & Miss Phoebe Kimball -
both of Buxford.
- June 11th, 1844. Mr Richard F. Gurley & Miss Rachel Atherton -
both of Buxford.
- Oct. 3rd, 1844. Mr Charles L. Chubb, & Miss Mary H. Adams -
both of Bradford.
- Oct. 13th, 1844. Mr Daniel Andrews & Miss Nancy Gould - both
of Buxford.
- Novem 28th, 1844. Mr James Steele & Miss Mary Ann Bentley -
both of Buxford.
- Feb. 8th, 1845. Mr John L. Butcher, & Miss Melinda Peabody -
both of Buxford.
- March 7th, 1845. Mr George Lerley, & Miss Mary P. Johnson - both of
Buxford.
- April 5th, 1845. Mr Moses T. Kimball & Danvers, & Miss Lucy Farnie
of Buxford.
- June 23rd, 1845. Mr Samuel P. Russell, & Miss Elizabeth M. Wells - both
of Buxford.
- July 1st, 1845. Mr William Sawyer, & Miss Mary D. Foster - both of
Buxford.
- Jan. 22nd, 1846. Mr Samuel N. Ayers of Buxford, & Miss Lucy P. Fuller
of Danvers.
- March 23rd, 1846. Mr Julian Levia & Miss Mary F. Coy - both of Brad-
ford Mass.

Marriages.

April 2nd, 1846. Mr Henry A. Towne of Boxford & Miss Elizabeth Long of Andover.

Sept. 5th, 1846. Mr Cornelius Pearson of Boxford & Miss Sarah L. Thompson of Middleton.

Sept 20th 1846. Mr William C. Kilham, & Miss Elizabeth D. May - both of Boxford.

Novem. 20th 1846. Mr John P. Dreper, & Miss Lydia E. Stuart - both of Boxford.

April 29th 1847. Mr Samuel P. Peabody, & Miss Mary G. Bunker both of Boxford.

May 2nd 1847. Mr Cyrus L. Wilkins & Miss Caroline E. Gould - both of Middleton.

Oct. 28th 1847. Mr Ansell Dorman, & Miss Hannah Lane - both of Boxford.

Jan. 1848. Mr Thomas Sawyer of Boxford, & Miss Sophia P. Howe of Salem.

June 8th 1848. Mr Solomon Dodge Jr., & Miss Hannah M. Todd both of Rowley.

May 3rd 1849. Mr James B. Giles of Georgetown, & Miss Eliza H. Bunker of Boxford.

Oct. 25th 1849. Mr Thomas Russell of Boxford, & Miss Mary Fish of Andover.

Dec. 23rd 1849. Mr Thomas G. Mead of Manchester N. H., & Miss Althea H. Wells of Boxford.

March 25th 1850. Mr Charles A. Pierce of Georgetown, & Miss Olive A. Emerson of Georgetown.

May 21st 1850. Charles G. French M. D. of Topsfield, & Miss Mary J. Peabody of Boxford.

Marriages.

- June 12th 1850. Mr Allen G. Hood of Boyford, & Miss Irene Gould of Topsfield.
- Novem. 28th 1850. Mr Aaron A. Andrews of Topsfield, & Miss Julia C. Wells of Boyford.
- March 2nd 1851. Mr David M. Leates, & Miss Ellen McHanna - both of Georgetown.
- June 16th 1851. Mr Francis Harden, & Miss Melisa G. Davis - both of Boyford.
- Novem. 28th 1851. Mr Samuel Hillam, & Miss Rebecca Frances Shofford - both of Boyford.
- Oct. 5th 1852. Mr Leonard H. Badwell of Boyford, & Miss Abby M. Sullivan of Manchester N. H.
- Dec. 14th 1853. Mr Nathaniel S. Peirce, & Miss Lizzie M. Shofford - both of Georgetown.
- April 27th 1854. Mr John Robinson, & Mrs Eunice Woodward - both of Boyford.
- May 9th 1854. Mr Dean A. Parley of Topsfield, & Miss Nancy A. Towne of Boyford.
- Aug. 10th 1854. Mr Samuel P. Gurley, & Miss Ellen F. Twomey - both of Boyford.
- Sept. 20th 1854. Rev. David Brewster of Rockport, & Miss Sarah E. Kimball of Boyford.
- Sept. 24th 1854. Mr Humphrey Gould, & Miss S. Augusta Peabody - both of Topsfield.
- Oct. 2nd 1854. Mr. Ephraim F. Anderson, & Miss Esther C. Brown - both of Boyford.

Marriages.

- Oct. 30th 1854. Mr. Cleveland Gould of Topsfield
& Miss Susan M. Goodale of Boxford.
- Nov. 30th 1854. Mr. Daniel W. Conant of Ipswich, &
Miss Matilda Ann Hale of Boxford.
- March 15th 1855. - Mr. Henry Atterton, & Miss Betsy Steant -
both of Boxford.
- June 10th 1855. Mr. Josiah W. Fuller, & Miss Harriett M. Boyton
both of Georgetown.
- Aug. 3rd 1855. Mr. Daniel N. Bridges, & Miss Mary F. Kinter
both of Georgetown.
- Nov. 18th 1855. Mr. Jacob L. Peabody, & Miss Julia A. Atterton
both of Danvers.
- March 9th 1856. Mr. Richard F. Limes, & Miss Maria P. Harriman
both of Groveland.
- Aug. 16th 1856. Mr. George B. Killam, & Miss Elizabeth
Davis - both of Boxford.
- Nov. 13th 1856. Mr. Joseph Archibell Jr. of North Andover, & Miss
Susan M. Puley of Boxford.
- Dec. 4th 1856. Mr. Knidrick W. Dickett of Georgetown, & Miss Mary
E. Huntington of West Newbury.
- Dec. 11th 1856. Mr. Albert B. May of North Andover, & Miss Mary
W. Puley of Boxford.
- Jan. 5th 1857. Mr. Charles S. Foster of North Andover, & Miss
Sarah E. Bigby of Boxford.
- April 26th 1857. Mr. Josiah C. Hasen, & Miss Sarah H. Holmes, both of
Georgetown.
- April 30th 1857. Mr. William Hale, & Miss Harriett M. Potter, both of
Boxford.

Marriages.

- July 5th, 1857. Mr. Stephen Jameson 2^d of Cohasset, & Miss Martha C. Wright of Georgetown.
- Feb. 11th, 1858. Mr. Alfred M. Kimball of Salem, & Miss Amanda Kase of Boxford.
- March 24th, 1858. Mr. David A. Petingall of Topsfield, & Miss Abba Blanchard of Boxford.
- Nov. 9th, 1858. Mr. Benjamin F. Bulch of Topsfield, & Miss Eliza Hillam of Boxford.
- Dec. 30th, 1859. Mr. Joseph S. Tyler & Miss Sarah Elmer - both of Boxford.
- Aug. 4th, 1859. Mr. Edward G. Batchelder of Boxford, & Miss Abby P. Lane of Sambourton Ark.
- Sept. 4th, 1859. Mr. Benjamin Goldthwait Jr. & Miss Ellen Maria Hutchinson - both of Middleton.
- Nov. 17th, 1859. Mr. Jacob D. Palmer of Boston, & Miss Mary A. Kimball of Boxford.
- June 9th, 1860. Mr. Nelson Emerson Jefferson, & Miss Elizabeth Perry - both of Middleton.
- June 20th, 1860. Mr. Horace L. Pickham of Harvard, & Miss Mary P. Adams of Boxford.
- Jan. 1st, 1860. Mr. John James of Boxford, & Miss Lucretia M. Bixby of Topsfield.
- Sept. 30th, 1860. Mr. John P. Metcalf of Groveland, & Miss Mary E. Bott of Georgetown.
- Nov. 28th, 1860. Mr. John Smith, & Miss Harriett Spiller - both of Boxford.

- Feb. 21. 1861. Mr. David T. Dale, & Miss. Mary J. Blanchard - both of Boxford.
- April 1st. 1861. Mr. Melvin G. Spofford, & Mrs. Maria Hoyt. both of Georgetown.
- May 28th. 1861. Mr. William P. Cleveland, & Miss. Ada B. Peabody - both of Boxford.
- Aug. 1861. Mr. Charles M. Goodwin of Danvers, & Miss. Elizabeth M. Framy of Middleton.
- Jan. 29th. 1863. Mr. Peter Bunker, & Miss. Alvina Sawyer - both of Georgetown.
- April 17th. 1863. Mr. Horace D. Moulton of Boxford, & Mrs. Betsy L. Collins of Seabrook N.H.
- Aug. 23^d. 1863. Mr. Frederick B. Smith of Portland, & Miss. Sarah H. E. Hillam of Boxford.
- Sept. 1863. Mr. William B. Smith of Portland, & Miss. Sarah H. E. Hillam of Boxford.
- both of Boxford.
- Jan. 27th. 1863. Mr. Horace Moulton, & Miss. Betsy L. Collins.
- both of Boxford.
- May 19th. 1864. Mr. John L. Hillam, & Miss. Sarah A. Hillam.
- both of Boxford.
- June 2nd. 1864. Mr. George H. Swetlow of Rushville N.Y., & Miss. Annie E. Gendall of Boxford.
- Aug. 7th. 1864. Mr. William P. Parker, & Miss. Edizze A. Bradstreet - both of Boxford.

Marriages.

- Nov. 15th 1864. Mr. William O. Gaudet, & Miss. Fols St. May both of Topsfield.
- April 20th 1865. Mr. John B. Gould of Topsfield & Miss Elizabeth S. Burdick of Boxford.
- May 18th 1865. Mr. Samuel Merrill Cabot, & Miss Lydia Ellen Stodder - both of Middleton.
- July 20th 1865. Mr. Joseph B. Peabody Jr. & Miss. Edith's Peabody - both of Middleton.
- Jan. 10th 1866. Mr. Jacob Gust of Chicago & Miss Sarah Stephens of Boxford.
- Jan. 2nd 1866. At Middleton Mr. Ernest C. Parke of Boston, & Miss. Miranda Kelant of Middleton.
- April 17th 1866. Mr. Eben S. Gould of Boxford, & Miss. Lucy G. Ketchum of Newham.
- Nov. 22nd 1866. Mr. Benjamin S. Dorr of Hollis, Mass. & Miss. both of Roxbury.
- Nov. 2nd 1866. Mr. Richard B. Wilson of Min. Abie M. Pickett - both of Georgetown.
- Jan. 12th 1867. Mr. Samuel Haven of Bethel Maine & Miss. Lucie A. Gould of Boxford.
- Jan. 31st 1867. Mr. Thomas K. Brown of Topsfield & Miss Sarah C. Smith also of Topsfield.
- Nov. 10th 1867. Mr. John H. Haven of Haverhill & Miss. Mary Anna Batchelder of Boxford.
- July 10th 1867. Mr. Horace Perry & Miss. May C. Guiley both of Boxford.
- Nov. 27th 1867. Mr. William O. Gaudet of Boxford & Miss Sarah M. Fize of North Andover.

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- Nov. 28th 1867. Mr. Bradford Bates of Lynn &
Miss Annie B. Blanchard of Topsfield
Dec. 17th 1867. Mr. Whipple I. Smith, & Miss Charlotte A.
Smith - both of Topsfield.
April 29th 1868. Mr. Edward Jackson Moore, & Mrs. Lizzie
Bain - both of Hamilton, Canada.

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Sept. 1869 - Stone of Charleston to -
Jan. 5th 1869 Henry Newhall & Hannah R. V. Rhodes
of Buxford
March 3rd - Jas. M. Andrews of Manchester &
Josephine S. Smith of B.
June 24th - J. Edwin Frye of Lynn &
Sarah P. Twissden of B.
" 30th - Albert H. Bossett & Dolie H. Samuels
of Charleston.
July 22^d - Henry J. White of Chelsea &
L. Alice Lowe of B.
Nov. 11th - Gardner C. Kimball of Bradford &
Harriet Bixby of B.
Feb. 16th 1870 Solomon W. Howe & Emma A. Andrews
of Buxford
May 26th - Sydney A. Bradley & Mary E. Russell
of N. Andover
June 21st - Don't Fuller & Mary K. Arie (Thompson)
of Danvers
Aug 7th - Tim Fuller & Lydia M. Kelly (nee Keckhady
of Buxford)

163 Sept 18 - 1870	Clarence Davis (Boston) & Lizzie F. Adams of Georgetown	
Oct. 12, 1871	Geo. A. Wilkins of Danvers	+
	Fannie Verney " Buxford	
Apr 17 1871	Abraham J. Welch " Shopleigh, Me.	+
	Mary S. Kneeland " Georgetown	
May 25 th —	Israel H. Spofford " W. Buxford	+
	Rebecca P. Stocker " Georgetown	
Aug. 5 th '71	Charles G. Goodale " Buxford	+
	Abby J. Pelham " Buxford	
Oct. 25 —	Ada Curtis " Haverhill	+
	Sarah L. Peabody " Buxford	
Nov. 7 th	Col W. Lowe " "	+
	Mary Annie Howe " "	
Dec. 7 th	Geo. L. Emerson " Haverhill	+
	Hattie E. Killam " Buxford	
Jan. 8 th 1872	Francis P. Paques of Danvers	+
	Mary H. Fiske " Buxford	
June 9 th —	Adrian B. Lowe " Lynn	+
	Irene S. Curtis " Buxford.	
Aug. 15 th —	Louis A. Barnes " Waltham	+
	Sarah K. Barnes " Buxford	
Nov. 23 rd —	Edward W. Hussey " "	+
	Alice M. Blye " "	
Nov. 26 th —	James P. Cleveland " "	+
	Anna S. Palmer " "	
Nov 27 th —	Jeremiah M. Todd " Rowley	+
	Mary C. Howe " "	

Jan 25 th 1873	Nelson E. Harris of Lawrence	+
	Ernie S. Sawyer " Buxford	
June 5 th —	Wm H. Sawyer " "	+
	Mary E. Barnes " "	
July 10 th —	Jos. Averill Jr. " N. Andover	+
	Emmie B. Berley " "	
Oct 4 th —	Otto E. Lake " Topsfield	+
	Eliza E. Adams " "	
Oct. 15 th —	Geo. Surt, Jr. " Newburyport	+
	M. Elizabeth Sawyer " Buxford.	
Oct. 17 th —	Ed. Everett Sumner " Topsfield	+
	Lydia P. Deland " "	
Nov. 12 th —	Chas. N. Sargent " W. Amesbury	+
	Rebecca K. Bixby " Buxford.	
Nov. 27 th	Chas. A. Archer " W. Buxford	+
	Ellen J. Pearl " "	
Dec. 25 th —	John H. Deland " Topsfield	+
	Isabel W. Greenough " "	
March 1 st 1874	Jos. E. Johnson " Rowley	+
	Mary L. Morse " Georgetown.	
April 16 —	Francis J. Stevens, M.D. " Haverhill	+
	L. Helen Gould " Buxford.	
May 30 th —	Wm P. Kimball " Rowley	+
	Flora A. Conant " Ipswich.	
Aug. 6 —	Elbridge Berley 2 ^d " Buxford	+
	Fanny R. Denfath " "	
Aug 24 —	Wm M. Pierce " Boston	+
	Augusta L. F. Archibald " "	

Dec. 24 th 1874	Frank E. Nason	of	N. Andover	8
	Edith W. Jaques	"	W. Buxford.	
1875				
Jan 11.	John Peabody	of	Buxford	8
	Elisabeth Clarke	"	Rowley.	
March 21 st	John W. Phillips	"	Zephsfield.	8
	Ida M. Andrews	"	"	
Apr. 14	Deril W. Goodwin	"	Middleton	
	Margaret E. Ehem	"	"	
May 25	Walter W. Wyman		Boston	
	Helen M. Emerson		Buxford	
June 8	Frank H. Wheeler		Boston	
	Marietta Curtis		Zephsfield	
June 26	Chas W Winslow		Haverhill	
	Emme L. Peeslee		Zephsfield	
1876				
June 28	L. Hiram Cheney		Buxford	
	Elizabeth A. Foster		"	
Oct. 12	Porter B. Peabody		"	
	Harriet L. Fish		N. Andover	
Dec. 16	Justin Curtis		Buxford	
	Ella L. Gould		"	
1877				
May 15.	Phineas S. Killam		Buxford	
	Florence E. Gould		"	
June 25	Benj H. Gould		Middleton	
	Mrs. Ada H. (Perkins) Pettingill		"	
July 29	Ira P. Long		Zephsfield	
	Harriet L. Hollanshee		Georgetown	

1877

Nov. 18

John C. Herrick
Henriet A. Dummer

Peabody
Barnard

Nov. 29

Geo. F. Stanley
Annie B. Jones

Cambridge
Boxford

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1879

Nov. 23

Wm H
Susan A. Reed

Sept 23

1880

Nov 1

Henry Herbert Wilkins
Carrie Bartlett Kilham

Sept 14

Frank Le Parkhurst }
Lucy E Towne } Both of Boxford
By M. Gammon

Oct 27

Joseph F. Black of Alabama State }
Annie C. Sawyer of Boxford } M.D. by
Rev W. H. Coggin

Rev. O. L. Sewall

50 St Paul Street

Brookline

Mass

Mr & Mrs Bradford

OBITUARY.

REV. JOHN WHITNEY, a retired Congregationalist minister, died in Newton Centre Saturday afternoon. Mr. Whitney was born at Harvard, Mass., September 1, 1803, the youngest of six children born to Salmon and Hepzibar Whitney of that town. His oldest brother, Salmon, is the only surviving member of the family, and is a retired merchant living in this city, being more than ninety years old. John graduated at Amherst College in 1831 and at Andover Theological Seminary in 1834. Ordained at Boxford in the same year he remained there three years, removing to Waltham, where he was pastor for twenty years. During the next ten years he resided at Canaan, N. Y., whither he had removed on account of ill-health. Most of the time he supplied the pulpit of a Presbyterian Church. In 1867 Mr. Whitney removed to Newton. He was a very scholarly man and kept up his studies to the end of his life. He was married in 1835 to Mary, daughter of Rev. David Jewett of Rockport, two sons and seven daughters being born of the union. Mrs. Whitney, four daughters and one son survive him.

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